

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | MARCH 2, 2025

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

Mary, Help of Christians
Fairborn

Sacred Heart
New Carlisle

St. Augustine
Jamestown

St. Brigid
Xenia

St. Luke
Beavercreek

St. Paul
Yellow Springs

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. PAUL

6:30 P.M. | ST. AUGUSTINE

7 P.M. | ST. LUKE

7 P.M. | SACRED HEART (SPANISH)

MASS TIMES

Monday

7:45 a.m.....Mary, Help of Christians
8:30 a.m.....St. Luke

Tuesday

7:45 a.m.....Mary, Help of Christians
8 a.m.....St. Brigid
8:30 a.m.....St. Luke

Wednesday

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. Paul

Thursday

7:45 a.m....Mary, Help of Christians
8 a.m.....St. Brigid
8:30 a.m.....St. Luke
9 a.m.....Sacred Heart

Friday

7:45 a.m....Mary, Help of Christians
8 a.m.....St. Brigid
8:30 a.m.....St. Luke
9 a.m.....Sacred Heart (1st Friday)

Saturday

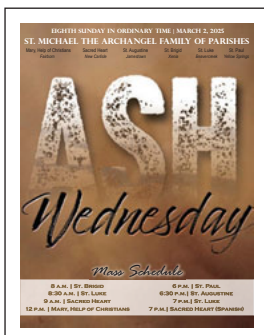
8:30 a.m. Latin N.O. Mass.....St. Luke
4 p.m.....Mary, Help of Christians
4:30 p.m.....St. Brigid
5:30 p.m.....St. Luke

Sunday

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

ON THE COVER

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday (March 5). The tradition has its roots in the Old Testament, where wearing ashes was a common sign of repentance for sins, and a sign of one's humility before God.



FORMING DISCIPLES, BECOMING SAINTS

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 the Evangelist** in Beaver Creek, and **St. Paul** in Yellow Springs. Two of our churches, St. Brigid and St. Luke, also have schools with preschool through eighth grades.

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

SACRAMENT RELATED

Baptism and Confirmation, Communion to the Sick, & Anointing of the Sick

Please contact your parish office at the number below.

Matrimony

(& Declarations of Nullity)

Spencer Hargadon

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

Holy Orders

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

Becoming Catholic

Please contact Spencer Hargadon via the information at left (under Matrimony).

PARISH OFFICE PHONE NUMBERS

Mary, Help of Christians
937-878-8353

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937-372-3193

Sacred Heart
937-845-3121

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Beloved in Christ,

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

“Ash Wednesday, March 5, and Good Friday, April 18, 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 obligatory days, 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. Fasting and abstinence on the days prescribed

should be considered a minimum response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion.”

Our silent and prayerful presence saves lives when 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 contemplated abortion witness that they changed their minds when they noticed us praying for them to reconsider. They thank us for helping them give 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. See page 4 for more information.

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 eight Masses in our St. Michael the Archangel Family (see bulletin cover).

I posted the following in a recent Flocknote: As Chief Reminding Officer (CRO), I need to remind from time to time that we are in the Beacons of Light process as put forth by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Right now, we are in year three of a five-year process of “moving from maintenance to mission.”

We are already doing more together to make disciples of Jesus Christ than any of our single parishes would be able to do separately. In this five-year process, we are also charged with formalizing the collaboration of our six parishes. This means parishioners, staff and clergy lead a process of becoming one canonical parish with six vibrant, active churches. Deacon Mark Danis is

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CONFESSION

Monday
8:15 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
7:30 a.m.....St. Augustine

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

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

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)

FLOCKNOTE



Our Family of churches uses Flocknote to help keep parishioners and staff informed via email and texts. Sign-up is simple (no user-name or password required) via **any of the three methods below.**

Scan this QR code with your phone camera



Text “smaf” to 84576

Go to: smaf.flocknote.com

*Flocknote questions: 937-646-9032

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

HERITAGE GIRLS WINTER SALE



St. Brigid's American Heritage Girls Troop OH1849 is raising funds by selling freshly brewed coffees, teas, cocoa, and cookies. The sale runs **through March 9** with items scheduled



for delivery to residences in late March. Orders can be made directly with any girl in the troop and or online via the above QR code using seller ID# 0.

WALKING WITH MOMS

The St. Michael Family is joining a nationwide effort entitled "Walking with Moms in Need." The goal of the partnership is to assess and better communicate available resources, as well as to learn ways to offer spiritual support to local mothers and families.

Walking with Moms helps the Family parishes become, in the words of Pope Francis "islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference." All parishioners are invited to join the core team on **March 14 at 9:30 a.m. in St. Luke's Jansen Center**. For more information, please send an email to:

Judy Baker at ilovesewing61@gmail.com
or Pat Christoff at pbchristoff@attglobal.net



March 5 - April 13
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Opening Rally
March 2 @ 2 p.m.

LOCATION:
Sidewalk at 1401 E. Stroop Rd, Kettering
DAILY PRAYER HOURS:
7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily



SIGN UP TO PRAY via the above QR code
or contact Jenny Belokony: Jkony1@gmail.com/937-380-2229

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our Pathway Lead for the process. We are currently in the "culture" phase in our Family's journey through the Beacons of Light process. Next will come phases for planning and mission. It will be vital in the coming months for us not to lose sight of who we are, and where we are going.



Who we are was set forth at our baptisms, when the light of Christ entered our life and a flame of faith was sealed within us. We are called to be lights in the darkness of this world: shining examples of Christian faith, hope, and love. Beacons of Light calls us to be what we claim to be.

My intent is to keep all six of our churches open. Each church will maintain its name and sacramental schedule with the usual periodic adjustments as needed. Eventually, "Family of Parishes" will be dropped from our name, and we will decide together if we keep St. Michael the Archangel as the name of our collective parish.

We have made adjustments in the ways our churches are managed and in doing ministry. And more adjustments will come as we move more and more from maintenance to mission. Over the next few years, we may hear of buildings being closed in other places in the Archdiocese, but I do not think that will be the case for us. All six of our churches have at least one Mass that is mostly full every Sunday. Thanks be to God, we are currently in growth mode.

The details of Beacons of Light can be overwhelming and confusing. That confusion can very easily lead to rumors and misunderstanding. I urge everyone to approach all points of confusion and misunderstanding with a Christian heart. If something sounds off, find out for sure by checking the Beacons website (catholicaoc.org/beacons-of-light) or asking an employee of the parish.

Please engage Beacons of Light processes and communications with a heart of love and integrity. My staffs and I will continue to communicate information specific to our situation. For those who truly engage all the information and still have questions, please reach out to your parish office.



God Bless,
Fr. Bedel

Lent 2025

Ash Wednesday - March 5, 2025

Stations of the Cross

Thursdays at 7 p.m. at St. Brigid
Fridays at 7 p.m. at Mary, Help of Christians
Fridays at 7 p.m. at St. Luke
Fridays at 7:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart
Friday, March 14 at 6 p.m. at St. Paul
Friday, March 21 at 6 p.m. at St. Augustine (w/ Meatless
Supper)
Friday, April 4 at 6 p.m. at St. Paul

Good Friday Services to be advertised with Holy Week Schedules.

Meals & Fish Fries

Every Friday - Fish Fry at Sacred Heart (5-7 p.m.)
Every Friday - Supper before Stations at St. Luke
Friday, March 21 - Meatless Supper at St. Augustine
Friday, March 28 - Fish Fry at St. Brigid (18+)
Friday, April 4 - Soup Supper at St. Paul following Stations

Formation, Retreats and Prayer Services

Wednesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. - Women's Night for Lent at Sacred Heart
Sunday, March 16 - Tuesday, March 18 - Lenten Mission
Friday, March 28 at 7 p.m. - Taizé Prayer Service at Mary, Help of Christians
Saturday, March 29 at 8:30 p.m. - Knights of Columbus Lenten Retreat at
Mary, Help of Christians
Saturday, April 5 at 9 a.m. - Lenten Day for Married Couples at Sacred Heart
Saturday, April 5 at 11 a.m. - Daughter of Isabella Spring Lenten Women's
Retreat at Mary, Help of Christians

Confession

Please take advantage of normally scheduled times or the extended time for Confession during the Lenten Mission (March 16-18).



ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES
PRESENTS

BE SAINTS!

THIRD ANNUAL LENTEN MISSION

MARCH 16

ST. LUKE CHURCH

MARCH 17

ST. BRIGID CHURCH

MARCH 18

MARY, HELP OF
CHRISTIANS CHURCH

NIGHTLY SCHEDULE

Eucharistic Exposition and 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 4)

*Children's Mission: 6:15 ~ 8 p.m. (Ages 4 to 11)

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

Vespers 6:35 – 6:55 p.m.

Father Ambrose Presentation: 7 ~ 8 p.m.

Refreshments: 8 ~ 8:30 p.m.



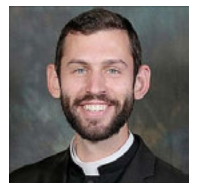
Lenten Mission
RSVP

Fr. Ambrose Dobrozsi,
St. Michael Family Parochial
Vicar, is this year's guest speaker.
His scheduled topics are:

March 16:
Sainthood Today

March 17:
The Saint's Mission

March 18:
Worship like a Saint



*All parts of the Mission are free, but an **RSVP by March 14** is needed for limited childcare/children's program reservations and for planning purposes. Scan the QR code above or call your parish office to RSVP.



Forming Disciples
Becoming Saints

Lenten Almsgiving 2025

When the scribes asked Jesus (Mark 12: 28-31) “What is the first of all the commandments?” Jesus replied, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” Almsgiving is one of the ways that we demonstrate our love for our neighbors.

Lenten Almsgiving opportunities begin next weekend. A set of charities are highlighted for each weekend of Lent so we can all work together to have a greater impact on our local community, as well as those recovering from the hurricane in North Carolina. The Love in Action team has screened the charities and developed the theme of HOPE. Love in Action is open to all parishioners and meets on March 6 at Mary, Help of Christians. For more information, email Beth Madsen at bmadsen@smafp.org.

First Sunday of Lent (March 8-9)

Hope for Today

Bring hope for families through donations to **Family and Youth Initiatives (FYI)** and **The Glen at St Joseph**. FYI’s mission is to empower families and provide hope by redirecting their paths through education, training, and support in our multiple programs. FYI locations include Mary, Help of Christians and New Carlisle. The Glen at St. Joseph supports single mothers and their young children by providing residential housing, mentoring and childcare. These services allow mothers to focus on developing job skills. Please donate:

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: *Brooms and dustpans, mops, kitchen utensils (spatulas, ladles, tongs etc.), dish towels, oven mitts and potholders, new bedding for cribs, twin and double beds*

BABY AND PRESCHOOL ITEMS: *New baby bottles and sippy cups, books from infancy to first grade, coloring and art supplies for preschoolers*

Second Sunday of Lent (March 15-16)

Hope for the Future

Crisis pregnancy centers provide hope for the future by assisting women and their families to choose life by offering counseling services, accurate information about pregnancy options, and essential items like diapers and clothing through size 5T. The St. Michael Family will be collecting items for **Hope Rising** (locations in Xenia and Huber Heights), **Pregnancy Center** in Washington Court House, and **The Stork’s Nest**, a new Dayton Right to Life Baby Pantry near Route 35 and Woodman. Please donate:

CLOTHES: *Clothing, socks, underwear and pajamas 18 mos-5T (no monkeys or skulls)*

BABY ITEMS: *Baby towels, and washcloths, diaper wipes and size 1-5 diapers, baby hygiene products such as shampoo, bodywash and lotion*

Please support these agencies through prayer and consider direct support through volunteering, monetary donations, and/or materials. Donations from the above lists can be brought to church on or before the weekend collection.



Forming Disciples
Becoming Saints

Lenten Almsgiving 2025

Third Sunday of Lent (March 22-23)

Hope for Healing

The economy of Asheville, North Carolina, was devastated by floods in the fall of 2024. The St. Vincent de Paul Conferences near Asheville are working to assist people with housing and food while they rebuild their homes, lives, and economy. This week's monetary collection will bring hope for the people near Asheville as they recover and heal from the devastating natural disaster. *Please help St. Vincent DePaul Conferences near Asheville through generous monetary support at this weekend's Masses. **Please make checks to your church with "SVDP Asheville" on the memo line.***

Fourth Sunday of Lent (March 29-30)

Hope for Those in Need

Our four **St. Vincent DePaul** conferences provide hope for those in need by serving our neighbors from Cedarville to Beavercreek and Xenia to New Carlisle. Increasingly, families' finances are highly stressed by spending about 50 percent of their income toward rent.

*Please help our local St. Vincent DePaul conferences through generous monetary support at this weekend's Masses. **Please make checks to your church with "Local SVDP" on the memo line.***

Fifth Sunday of Lent (April 5-6)

Hope for the Hungry

Food banks provide hope for the hungry by providing essential non-perishable food items, hygiene items, soap, toothpaste, trash bags, and cleaning supplies. All donations will be taken to **local food pantries**.

Sixth Sunday of Lent (April 12-13)

Hope for Youth

Quest Youth Development (located in New Carlisle) provides hope for youth by mentoring youth in after school programs, meeting students in schools to help them graduate, and working with youth that are involved in the Clark County Juvenile Court System (including probation and incarcerated youth). Their mission is to prevent, reduce, or eliminate at-risk behaviors that lead to mental health issues, generational cycles of poverty, and incarceration. Please donate financially through the QR code below or bring these items to church:



INDIVIDUAL SNACK ITEMS: *Takis, Hot Cheetos, chips, Famous Amos cookies, Cheez-Its, granola bars, Capri-Sun, Kool-Aid pouches, fruit juices*
ART SUPPLIES: *Markers, colored pencils, construction paper, pens, journal books, dry erase markers*

Please support these agencies through prayer and consider direct support through volunteering, monetary donations, and/or materials. Donations from the above lists can be brought to church on or before the weekend collection.

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHURCH

MASS

Sunday, March 2

+Ed and Helen Cibulka (Ann Brock)

Sunday, March 5

+Fran Zink (Zink Family)

Sunday, March 9

+Thurman Warnock (Warnock Family)

March 5 Schedule

LECTOR: Volunteer

SERVERS: Volunteers

March 9 Schedule

LECTOR: E. Miller

SERVERS: Je. Hoke, Ca. Beatty

COLLECTIONS

2/16: \$685

COFFEE HOUR

The next coffee hour, scheduled for Sunday, March 16, will be hosted by Rayelene and Tom Baudendistel and Elizabeth and Cal Westray.

PSR SCHEDULE

PSR classes will meet today. Future classes will be on: March 9; April 6, 13, 20; and May 4, 11, and 18. Contact Della Weidel at 614-285-2293 for information.

SAVE THE DATE FOR STATIONS, SUPPER

Stations of the Cross and a meatless supper is scheduled to be held at St. Augustine on Friday, March 21, at 6 p.m.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The St. Augustine Church Ladies have a scheduled lunch outing at Red Lobster in Beavercreek on Thursday, **March 13**, at 12:30 p.m. Carpools will leave the church at 11:45 a.m. Please sign the reservation form in the back of church if you plan to attend.

DESSERTS NEEDED FOR LENTEN MISSION

St. Augustine has been asked to furnish desserts for the Mission session on Monday, March 17, at St. Brigid. If you are willing to bake a cake for this event, please sign the sheet in the back of church. An estimated 300 people will likely attend the meal that evening, so your help will be greatly appreciated.

MISSION CARPOOL

If you are interested in carpooling to St. Luke on March 16, St. Brigid on March 17, or Mary, Help of Christian on March 18 for the Lenten Mission, please sign the sheets in the back of the church.

HOLINESS IS WHOLENESS

BODY : Steam, bake, broil, or microwave.

Avoid frying.

MIND : Set goals that are specific, measurable, and rewarding.

SPIRIT : Recognize God's life in others.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

If you are interested in serving on the Family's Stewardship Committee, please let Carol Smith know.

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Carol Smith, Secretary/Organist

Della Weidel, DRE

Denny Goodrich, Maintenance



PRAY FOR US

Please pray for: Please keep Mary Ann Knecht, Mary Ouellette, Mary Kay Benanzer, Jon Hobbs, Mike Nieland, Gene Robinson, Keith Lively, Brian Steinmetz, Joe Hess, Catherine Sheridan, Janet Goff, James Burns, Patsy Stewart, Mike Cyphase, Nickie Sherwood, Curtis Love, 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, and Madelyn Machen in your prayers.

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

What's Your Catholic IQ

1) Deacons, priests, and bishops receive the sacrament of _____ to serve the Church with God's power.

a) Holy Orders b) Matrimony c) preaching d) leadership

2) The Mass has two main parts: the Liturgy of the _____ and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

a) Music b) Word c) Homily d) Adults

ANSWERS: 1. a) "Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time" (CCC, 1536). 2. b) The Liturgy of the Word includes readings from the Old and New Testaments, the holy, and the intercessions (see CCC, 1349).

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

Mary, Help of Christians Church

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Parish Office Hours:

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

Parish School of Religion:

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

Parish Library:

For access, call 937-878-8353

Marriages:

Please call the parish office as soon as possible when discerning marriage to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

Anointing of the Sick:

Available on request. Call the rectory office.

For Hospital/Home Visit:

Call the Rectory Office.



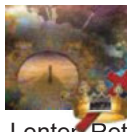
PRAYER REQUEST

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 at 937-878-8353.

SPEAK LIFE



MARIAN 911 CIRCLE OF DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA AT MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH



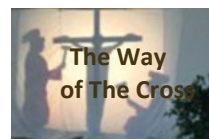
is hosting their Annual Women's Spring Lenten Retreat on Saturday, April 5 from 11:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. The retreat is open to all women in the St. Michael the Archangel Family they must be 16 years of age and older. Registration fee: \$15.00 (Subway box lunch included). Location: Mary, Help of Christians Parish Center 934 North Maple, Fairborn. The Topic will be "Journey to the Interior of The Soul" Retreat Master: Deacon Mark Danis, RSVP: to Amanda @ 937-620-0701 by March 28.

LENTE N REMINDERS — FAST AND ABSTINENCE



With Lent approaching, please note the following information from the Archdiocese on fasts and abstinence: Ash Wednesday, March 5 and Good Friday, April 18 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 4 7:00 P. M.



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 Friday, April 4 and support our youth.

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

Our MHC St. Vincent de Paul will collect funds for the poor of our area on March 29-30.

Also the April collection will be changed to April 26-27. In May, we will return to the third Sunday for collection. We hope that we can continue to count on your generosity. This week we will collect a box of Marconi & Cheese



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2025 (CMA)

If you have not yet made your pledge, 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. Pledge cards are also available in the gathering space for your convenience this weekend.

There will be a basket marked CMA in the gathering space. For more information about the CMA or to donate online, please visit <https://catholicaoc.org/cma> Thank you!

Mardi Gras/ Carnival Celebration



Bring your family to the MHC Parish Center for a Mardi Gras / Carnival Celebration today Join our MHC & Sacred Heart PSR & RE youth & catechists. During MHC PSR on Sunday, March 2, 9:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. After PSR, stay a little longer for more fun, games and a lunch. King Cake, Mask Making, Hallelujah Banner, Burning Palms For Ash Wednesday Mass, Carnival Games, Food and More...

Sponsored by: MHC Religious Education & The Knights of Columbus 3724.

REMEMBER TO SPRING FORWARD



SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025 We "spring forward" at 2:00a.m. on the second Sunday in March by setting our clocks ahead one hour and thus changing to Daylight Savings Time.

Spring is Coming!!!

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 the front entrance of the church and drop it in the collection.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



JOY CLUB

Our next meeting is Monday, March 10 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.

LITURGICAL COLORS

IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER COLOR CHANGE!
Ash Wednesday is March 5 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.

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.

K OF C AND MHC PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

Consider giving the gift of life at MHC's Blood Drive. It will be held in the Parish Center cafeteria side, look for signs on Saturday, March 8 from 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 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.

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! Monday March 3.**

ROSARY: Saturday afternoon before Mass at 3:30 p.m. and Monday evening at 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 9 at 9:45 a.m. in the Church. Please call the parish office at 937- 878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending this class.

Mary, Help of Christians
Spring Sale
934 North Maple Avenue
Parish Center
Fairborn, Ohio
Friday, March 7th - 10:00AM-6:00PM
Saturday, March 8th - 10:00AM-3:30PM
Sunday, March 9th - 1:00PM-6:00PM
Lots of great Spring Decorations,
Baskets, Easter, Stuffed Animals,
Crafts, Floral, Kids Books & More...
Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Sunday, March 9th - 9:00-11:00AM.



TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE AT MHC

An evening of song, prayer, and fellowship in the Taizé tradition. Join us Friday, March 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the church.



Saturday, March 1-4:00 p.m.

+ Elmer & Marcella Lange
(Alan & Dottie Meade)

Sunday, March 2-8:30 a.m.

+Regina Daley
(MHC St. Vincent de Paul)

Monday, March 3 -7:45 a.m.

+Velma Hobbs
(Teri Hobbs & Family)

Tuesday, March 4-7:45 a.m.

+Tim Clifford
(Jim & Mary Beth Bedel)

Wednesday, March 5-12:00 p.m.

+Claire MacDonald
(Family)

Ash Wednesday

Thursday, March 6- 7:45 a.m.

+Tommy Laub
(Cindy Dull)

Friday, March 7-7:45 a.m.

David & Marie Stapleton & Children

Saturday, March 8-4:00 p.m.

+ Mary Bogemann
(Dave & Pat Banaszak)

Sunday, March 9-8:30 a.m.

For The Parish

FINANCIAL SUPPORT 2/23/25

Regular Collection & Loose Cash & Envelopes	02/23/25	16,585.35
Capital Improvements Donation	02/23/25	\$30.00
Total Collections For February 16, 2025		

\$16,615.35

Church Renovation Project

Total Donations and Pledges as of 2/23/25	\$160,196.00
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THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

COLLECTING OLD PALMS: Do you still have blessed palms from last year? On **Sunday, March 2** the Parish School of Religion will gather for a Mardi Gras

Celebration before Lent begins. We will gather in the Parish Center for prayer at 9:45 a.m. After prayer, we will burn palms behind the Parish Center to make the ashes needed for Ash Wednesday. All parishioners are invited to join us. Please put your old Palms in the Blue Bucket mark Palms located in the gathering space.



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Bulletin Submissions

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March 9 deadline is Feb. 24

March 16 deadline is March 3

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 2, 10:30 a.m. Mass
+ Ed Francis (Dale & Kimberly Francis)

Sunday, Marzo 2, noon Mass
+ Juan Carlos Ruiz (Panchis Perez)

Wednesday, March 5, 9 a.m. Mass
+ Madonna McCarthy (Karen Wroblowski)

Thursday, March 6, 9 a.m. Mass
+ Adolfo Trijillo (Melly Mendoza)

Feiday, March 7, 9 a.m. Mass
+ Ed Francis (Steve & Cindy Zimmerman)


PRAYER REQUESTS

Al Brunson, Steve Eldridge, Frank Caponegro, Larry Engle, Mike Engle, Debbie Fraizer, Rosalie Gillespie, Carol Graham, Terry Hamisch, Katie Horn, Bryan Karjala, Ann Long, Jim Mason, Marge Nasta, Javier Perez, Jr., Dick Phillips, Jamie Reittinger, Nancy Riewerts, Mary West and Paul Wroblewski

Pray for our Military

Airman Alex Bainbridge, Senior Airman Adam L. Coyle, Staff Sergeant James Grusenmeyer, Captain Michael Hughes, 2nd Lt. Fr. Stephen Hughes, Pvt. Timothy Hughes, Major David Kirker, Will McCuddy, 2nd Class Petty Officer Dillon Snapp, Cpt. Alex Stycula, Staff Sergeant Jordan Trick and Technical Sergeant Monik Trick

Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament
Tuesdays, 7 pm – 8 pm
Confession Available



Sacred Heart Parish extends its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of our long time parishioner, Richard (Dick) Rinker, who passed away on February 17, 2025. His Mass of Christian Burial was February 25, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Please pray for the repose of his soul. May God grant him peace and comfort his loved ones. Amen

Women's Night for Lent

A Soup & Salad Supper



The Sacred Heart Ladies Club will host the annual Women's Night for Lent on Wednesday, March 12, in Father Paul Hall. The social time will begin at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Our speaker is Anna Earl and her presentation, Pilgrimage of the Heart, will begin at 7 p.m. The cost is a good will donation.

Please **RSVP by March 2** on the signup sheet, call the parish office or Pat Kraus at 937-882-9428.

Come join us and bring a friend for this wonderful presentation to begin your Lenten journey.

Thank you to Awesome Teens

A huge thank you to three of our teens—Dylan, Raegan and Devin Hall. They were very visible at the Volunteer Dinner on Saturday, February 15. They helped with set up, serving beverages, assisting guests to carry their plates and clean up. They definitely brightened up the evening with their smiles and eagerness to help. You were awesome!



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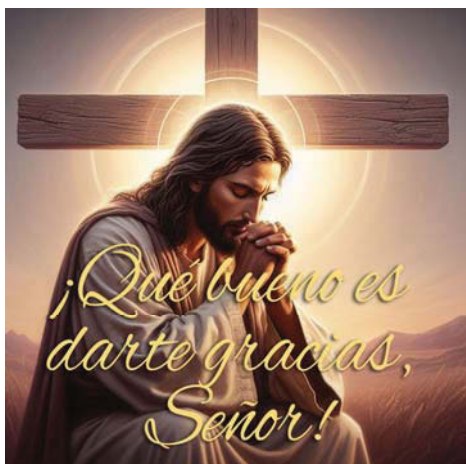
Upcoming Events

- Mar 3 Sacred Heart Ladies Club, 7 pm
- Mar 4 Adoration & Confession, 7 pm
Knights of Columbus, 8 pm
- Mar 5 Mass, 9 am
Mass, 9 am
Mass, 7 pm (bilingual)
- Mar 6 Mass, 9 am
Patriotic Rosary, 9:30 am
- Mar 7 First Friday Mass, 9 am
Fish Fry, 5–7 pm
Stations of the Cross, 7:15 pm
- Mar 9 Daylight Savings Time Begins
PSR Class, 9 am
K of C Rosary, 10 am
Mass, 10:30 am
Mass, noon (Spanish)
- Mar 11 First Reconciliation,
Adoration & Confession, 7 pm
- Mar 12 Women's Night for Lent, 6 pm
SH Men's Group, 6:30 pm
- Mar 16–18 SMAFP Lenten Mission
- Mar 20 First Day of Spring
- Mar 24 Blood Drive, 12:30–6:30 pm



Proximos eventos

- Mar. 5 Miércoles de Ceniza
Misa 9 am Inglés
Misa 7 pm Bilingüe
- Mar. 7 Cena de Pescado Frito
de 5-7 pm
- Mar. 11 1ra Reconciliación
7 pm
- Mar. 12 Noche Cuaresmal para Mujeres
6:00 pm



Cena de Pescado Frito

**Viernes durante Cuaresma
de 5:00-7:00pm
en el Salón Parroquial**

Tendremos Cena de Pescado Frito todos los viernes de cuaresma de 5-7:00 pm en el Salón Parroquial., excepto Viernes Santo. Precio por los adultos es \$15, adultos de 60+ es \$13, niños de 6-12 \$9. Niños menores de 5 años es gratis.

**Noche de Mujeres
durante Cuaresma**
Cena and Rosary in Parroquial

Miércoles 12 de Marzo
6:00 PM Social
6:30PM Cena
7:00 PM Presentación

Invitamos a todas las mujeres a la Noche Cuaresmal para Mujeres el día Miércoles 12 de Marzo a las 6 pm en el Salón Parroquial. ¡Las esperamos!

**Sacramento
de Primera
Reconciliación**

La Primera Reconciliación ó Confesión para los niños que se preparan para su Primera Comunión será el día Martes 11 de Marzo a las 7 pm.

**First
Friday
Mass**

9:00 am
March 7

**ASH
WEDNESDAY**

**Sacred Heart Mass Schedule
9 a.m. (English)—7 p.m. (Bilingual)**

**FISH FRY
FRIDAY**

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

March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11

All you can eat dinner — Dine in or carry out

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

Lenten Companion 2025

The Magnificat Lenten Companion is a convenient, easy-to-use booklet formatted 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 Wednesday, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that are still struggling to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your contribution restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. You can find more information at www.usccb.org/ccee. #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.

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Bulletin Submissions

Articles and inserts must be submitted no later than eleven days before bulletin date (Wednesday of the week prior). Deadlines are subject to change due to holidays, vacations, or publisher requirements. Email submissions to:

tpeters@stbrigidxenia.org



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

Joanne Anderson, Dr. Charles Carroll, Scott Goodman, Jerry Moeggenberg, Ann Reed, Tyler Foster, John Garrity, Pearl Roberts, Kerry Wiersma, Franz Seiter, Crystal Algee, Robert Tucker, Jr., Kathleen Keaton, Kenny Smith, Louise Marshall, Richard Downing, Cathi Sargent, Ed Vance, Marty Vance

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 1
+Garay Goecke
(Tom & Francie Gelhausen)

Sunday, March 2
For the Parish Members

Tuesday, March 4
+Anne Shoup (Paula Zaino)

Wednesday, March 5
+Robin Koehler (David Koehler)

Thursday, March 6
+Anna Haney (Paula Zaino)

Friday, March 7
+Those enrolled
in the Memorial Program

Saturday, March 8
+Fred Norkhauer (Family)

Sunday, March 9
+Sheila Kilgore (Jane Evans)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 8
Lector: Mary Hauber
Servers: Adrian Garcia-Joven,
Cooper and Lily Chamberlin
EMHC: Deacon Dennis Kall,
Brenda Seilhamer

Sunday, March 9
Lector: Abigail Neal
Servers: Rosemary Mackell,
Ethan Willitzer, Jacob Park
EMHC: Jean Pierre Birikunzira,
Gerry Harp, Tom Birkbeck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST FRIDAY THIS WEEK

The next all-day Eucharistic Exposition is **March 7**. Exposition begins after Mass about 8:30 a.m. and ends with benediction at 4 p.m. Sign-up slots are available at the sign-up sheet on the table in the middle aisle of church, or by calling the parish office. Please consider spending some time in Adoration with Jesus.

HELP NEEDED FOR FAMILY EASTER VIGIL

The Family is seeking some volunteers to help with clean up after the OCIA hospitality reception that follows the Easter Vigil at Mary, Help of Christians on April 19. Please note the cleaning is needed late at night, possibly past midnight. Contact the parish office if willing to help.



**Friday, March 28
6-11 p.m.**

**\$20 presale
\$25 at the door**

MUST BE 21 TO ENTER

Price includes:

- All you can eat fish, fries, & coleslaw (while it lasts)
- 3 drink tickets (beer or pop)
- Access to games of chance; Black Jack, Texas Hold'em Cash Games, Craps, Showdown Poker, Big 6, Horse Races, Instant Tickets, Split the Pot
- Silent Auction and Raffles



- \$20 for Drive Thru Carryout Dinner 4:30p.m. - 6 p.m. ONLY
- May use presale ticket or pay when you arrive
- Includes 3 fish, fries, & coleslaw



Presale tickets available starting March 1 after weekend Masses or at the parish office at 258 Purcell Avenue (behind the PAC) 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 2

- PSR in School 8 a.m.
- Boy Scouts in Lunchroom 4:30 p.m.
- Fifth Grade Family Life in Lunchroom 6 p.m.

Monday, March 3

- Adult Faith in Lunchroom 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4

- Prayer Shawl in Parish Office 10 a.m.
- Scripture Study in Library 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5

- Marian Prayers in Chapel 1 p.m.
- AHG Board Mtg. in MOD 5:15 p.m.
- Adult Choir in Church 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 6

- SVDP Mtg. in Chapel 6 p.m.
- KofC Mtg. in Lunchroom 7 p.m.
- Stations of the Cross in Church 7 p.m.

Friday, March 7

- Eucharistic Exposition 8:30 a.m.
- Confession in Church 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- Benediction 4 p.m.
- Jr. Choir Rehearsal in Church 2:45 p.m.

Saturday, March 8

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

Sunday, March 9

- PSR in School 8 a.m.
- KofC Pancake Sunday in Lunchroom 10:30 a.m.
- AHG & Trillife in Lunchroom 3 p.m.
- Boy Scouts in Lunchroom 4:30 p.m.

Volunteer Signup



The annual Fish Fry and Monte Carlo Night is possible through the support of volunteers. Please scan the QR code on the left to access an online signup for a variety of volunteer needs, to include help with setup, busing tables, cleanup, card dealing, carryout, tickets, serving, and more.

ST. BRIGID FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH FEBRUARY 16 (WEEK 34)

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.

Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Collections Goal _____ \$680,000.00
 Collections To Date _____ \$484,153.11
 Amount Left to Reach Goal _____ \$195,846.89
 Week 34 Collection _____ \$7,074.00

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please email bulletin submissions with
"Bulletin" in the subject to:

saintluke@saintlukeparish.org

March 16 Bulletin: **due March 4**

March 23 Bulletin: **due March 11**

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS at 9 A.M.
Vespers-6 p.m., Benediction-6:30 p.m.
Scan the QR code or visit the site below:

[tinyurl.com/March
2025Adoration](http://tinyurl.com/March2025Adoration)



Welcome to St. Luke Church.

All are invited to Kramer Hall after Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship. The Welcome Committee is also there after Mass the first weekend of every month to help with registration. Forms are also available online at www.saintlukeparish.org, or at the church office (call or visit). Childcare is available during the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday (**illness is currently causing staff shortages in the nursery, please call ahead for availability*).

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN SYMPATHY Joyce Schafer

SOUP AND BREAD FRIDAY

The annual Soup and Bread meal is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Friday, March 7, in Kramer Hall, followed by Stations of the Cross in the church at 7 p.m.

SERVERS FOR STATIONS

All altar servers are invited to sign up to serve for weekly Stations of the Cross. Stations is scheduled to begin March 7 at 7 p.m. and to continue weekly through April 11. Please visit the Ministry Scheduler app to sign up for the weekly opportunity to serve. For question about the app, please contact the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733, xt. 6301. Please remember to check in with the deacon for instructions no less than 15 minutes prior to the start time.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE UPDATES NEEDED

The next scheduling period for St. Luke altar servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Mass coordinators, lectors, and ushers will be from April 1 through July 31. Please update your availability and Mass time preferences in the Ministry Scheduler app. For questions about the app, please contact the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733, xt. 6301. The new schedule will be generated on March 7.

COMMUNION CARRIERS TO HOMEBOUND NEEDED

We have a need for more help in taking Eucharist to the sick and the homebound, including visiting folks in their homes and in local care facilities. Please think about this opportunity to serve people unable to make it to Mass. For more information about volunteering, contact Deacon Mark at mdanis@smafp.org.

Thank you for prayerfully considering this call to serve our Lord.

CALENDAR

Welcome Committee Registration
March 1-2 after Mass, Kramer Hall

Troop 85 Pasta Fest
March 2, 4:30-7 p.m.
Parish Center

Moms & Tots Playgroup
March 7, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Nursery/Kramer Hall

Fair Trade Coffee Booth
March 8-9 (after Mass)
Kramer Hall

Leisure Club Meeting
March 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

PTO Used Uniform Sale
March 14, 3-5 p.m.
Bishop Ford Hall

**Monthly Novena
to Mary, Help of Christians**
March 16-24, 9:30 a.m.
St. Michael Devotions Room

Lenten Mission
March 16-18, 2025
Multiple Parishes

Solvia Blood Drive
March 22, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.
Bishop Ford Hall

Willy Wonka Spring Musical
March 28-29
St. Luke School Gym

**St. Vincent de Paul
Collection Day**
March 29, 10 a.m.
Bishop Ford Hall

FACILITY RESERVATIONS

The parish office will soon begin scheduling events to be held at St. Luke facilities from July 2025 through June 2026. Forms will be emailed to organization contacts beginning this month. For information, email Cindy at: cfalasca@saintlukeparish.org

LEISURE CLUB MARCH MEETING

All those 55 and over are invited to our next meeting on Tuesday, March 11, at 1:30 p.m., in Bishop Ford Hall. The St. Luke School Choir will entertain us this month. Please bring a main dish, side dish or dessert to share. Friends are always welcome!

EASTER MEMORIAL PLANTS

Remember a loved one while helping to decorate the church for the Easter Season. Memorial plants can be requested with a suggested \$15 donation by calling the parish office at 937-426-1733, xt. 6201, no later than April 4.

LENTEN BLOOD DRIVE

A pint of blood can save up to three lives. What a great almsgiving. A blood drive is scheduled for March 22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Bishop Ford Hall. Scheduling and eligibility information can be found at versiti-dayton.org (sponsor code 780) or by calling 800-388-GIVE. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available.



SPRING PLANT SALE

St. Luke School is hosting an online Spring Plant Sale that ends March 24. Orders can be placed online or by picking up an order form from the parish or school office. To order, visit the below website and enter Websale# 273383, or contact the school office at 937-426-8551. Plants are scheduled to arrive by May 8. Thank you for your support.



www.fundraiseit.org

MEALS FOR FAMILIES

Help is needed Monday, March 3, and Wednesday, March 5, to prepare the evening meal for Family Promise of Greene County. Please scan the code at right or visit tinyurl.com/4cva857a to sign up for needed meal items. Contact Anmarie at 937-272-4615 with questions.



40-DAY CAMPAIGN FOR LIFE

A simple Lenten resolution is just a short drive away in Kettering. Walk with Jesus, spending 30 or 60 minutes in prayer for our unborn brothers and sisters during the Spring 40 Days for Life campaign.

Join fellow parishioners of the St. Michael Family in a peaceful vigil at Kettering Women's Medical Center (1401 East Stroop Road) on Fridays during the campaign, starting March 7 and ending April 11. Sign-up at tinyurl.com/SMAFP-40Days or via the QR code above. Anyone new to the vigils can request a long-term volunteer to walk with by emailing: JaneDockery@energy2020.com Signup



FOOD FOR FAMILIES THIS WEEKEND

Nonperishable food items will be collected the weekend of March 1-2 for the Mary, Help of Christians Food Pantry. Children's snacks and regular sized canned goods are especially appreciated. Donations can be placed in Kramer Hall near the nursery. We are unable to accept expired items. Thank you for helping our parish family neighbors in need.



PASTA DINNER TODAY

Join the Boy Scouts of Troop 85 and your parish friends for our Pasta Dinner on Sunday, March 2, 4:30 -7 p.m. We will be offering two kinds of pasta, three sauces (meat & meatless), salad, garlic bread and dessert. Free will donations accepted.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 1

8:30 a.m. Mass:
Celebrant's Intention
5:30 p.m. Mass:
+Bonnie Vokits
(Don & Rita Chislaghi)

Sunday, March 2

9 a.m. Mass:
+Bryan E. Denstedt
(Barth & Laura Snyder)
11 a.m. Mass:
+Corina 'Cori' Merker
(Angie Garcia)

Monday, March 3

+Raymond Healy
(Kathryn & Dennis Easterday)

Tuesday, March 4

+Martha Siegrist (St. Luke Crafters)

Wednesday, March 5

+Mary Powers (Ann Tirpack)

Thursday, March 6

+Lou Timmer
(Barth & Laura Snyder)

Friday, March 7

Brian Rutherford (Irene Rutherford)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 2/16 (WEEK 34)

Weekend Total	\$23,832.55
Yearly Total	\$912,765.88
Holy Days	
Total Holy Days	\$56,085.23
Regular+Holy Day Total	\$968,851.11
Budgeted:	
Each Weekend	\$29,614.00
Total thru Week 34	\$1,006,878.72
Non-Parish Collection(s)	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$305.00
Youth Ministry	\$19.70
Miscellaneous Collection(s)	
School Ministry	\$4,361.00

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Ash Wednesday & Eastern European Churches (March 5)

School Ministry (March 16)

St. Vincent de Paul (March 30)



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(On right)

This painting is titled "Jesus Meeting Mary," by an unknown artist.

Sunday, March 2
+Tom Schopmeyer
(St. Paul Parishioners)

Wednesday, March 5
+John Feltz (St. Paul Parishioners)

Sunday, March 9
+Rita Schoeffel (Scaramuzza Family)

March 9 SCHEDULE
SACRISTAN: Patty Alexander
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PRAY FOR US

Please pray for Bernadette Lanham, Martin Connolly, Candie Ayers, Sheila Suwalski, Emily Lyons-Hammond, Patrick Gwin, Father Edmund Hussey, and all in need of prayer and healing.

DONUT SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

All are invited to coffee and donuts in the undercroft after Mass next Sunday (March 9).



SCHEDULE CORRECTION

The Feb. 23 bulletin incorrectly listed Mass on April 18. Stations of the Cross is scheduled for April 18 at 3 p.m., **but there is no Mass** scheduled for April 18.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please bring 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 the items to the food pantry in Yellow Springs. Thank you for anything you can donate.



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