

MASS TIMES

Monday

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

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

Wednesday

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)

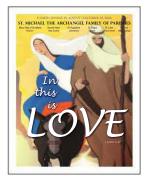
Saturday

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

ON THE COVER

The fourth week of Advent theme is Love. The entire verse of 1 John 4:10 reads, "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins."



FORMING DISCIPLES, BECOMING SAINTS

Parishes. Our Family is comprised of six churches:

Mary, Help of Christians in Fairborn, Sacred Heart in New
Carlisle, St. Augustine in Jamestown, St. Brigid in Xenia, St.

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

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

SACRAMENT RELATED

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

Sacred Heart 937-845-3121

Fr. Jason Bedel. Pastor

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

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937-426-1733, xt. 6205

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL STAFF

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- FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT-

Beloved in Christ,

I imagine it goes without saying, but this coming Wednesday, the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) is a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Christmas Mass schedule for the St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes is below. As a final reminder, vigil Masses on Christmas Eve tend to be crowded. I invite you to consider participating in Mass on the actual day of Christmas if you can make it work into vour plans.

Presents or Presence? It may seem at times that Advent and Christmas are about the presents; but we Christians know they are really about the presence of Jesus Christ. I look forward to celebrating the Christmas Season with you. Participating in the Eucharist these first few days of Christmas is especially meaningful.

Not only are we celebrating the Emmanuel, God with us, truly present in the Eucharist, we also celebrate some important feasts: St. Stephen, the first martyr; St. John, the apostle and evangelist; and The Holy Innocents, the first to die for Jesus. Encounter the living God at weekday Mass this season.

Here's another challenge: Keep celebrating Christmas, with all decorations, music, etc., until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on Jan. 12. Some people and some parishes will even keep Christmas decorations in place for 40 days, until we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on Feb. 2.

You may see Deacon Kevin LeMelle, who served as a seminarian intern with us, over the Christmas break. He plans to be with us part of the time. Thank you for welcoming him warmly and for praying for him and all

seminarians.

A blessed Fourth Sunday of Advent to one and all. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Blessed Advent,

Fr. Bedel

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CHRISTMAS EVE

4 p.m. Mary, Help of Christians 4:30 p.m. St. Brigid 5:30 p.m. St. Luke 6 p.m. St. Paul 7 p.m. Sacred Heart 11 p.m. St. Luke

CHRISTMAS DAY

12 a.m. St. Brigid 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



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. Lüke

Sunday

7:30 a.m.....St. Augustine

Call 937-372-3193 to schedule confession by appointment. Fixed schedule above may change during holy days.

EUCHARISTIC 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)

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

Friday

8:30 a.m...St. Brigid (9:30 a.m. Benediction)

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

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Text "smafp" to 84576

Go to: smafp.flocknote.com

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

BE SAINTS

THIRD ANNUAL LENTEN MISSION

MARCH 16-18 (SAVE THE DATES)





Dear High School Juniors and Seniors!

We are excited to offer you an amazing opportunity for community, leadership, and service! Be a part of our High School Leadership Team (HSLT), a group of 6-10 upperclassmen who will be intentionally formed as disciples to plan, organize, and implement the St. Michael the Archangel High School Retreat on February 7-9 at the Maria Stein Retreat Center.

There are six HSLT meetings every Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., **starting on Jan. 2**. These meetings are a time to come together as a team, prayerfully plan the theme, talks, and activities, practice giving our witness, facilitating small groups, and running activities. The meetings are scheduled to be at St. Luke's Jansen Center, 1442 N Fairfield Rd., Beavercreek, OH 45432.

To register for the HSLT, students must first submit an HSLT APPLICATION and be accepted onto the team. Please submit applications by Dec. 31. Once accepted, the High School Leadership Team members must also fill out an online registration and pay a 50 percent-discounted admission fee of \$40.

If you or someone you know is interested in helping plan or support this event in any way, email Geneva Barclay at gbarclay@smafp.org or call (937) 426-1733, xt. 6303.

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHURCH

MASS

Sunday, December 22

+Deceased Germann Family (Willie and Cindy Germann)

Wednesday, December 25

+Arthur Coakley (Donald and Sandy Coakley)

Sunday, December 29

+Deceased Schornak Family (Estate of Donald and Janet Schornak)

December 25 Schedule

LECTOR: Volunteer SERVERS: Volunteers

December 29 Schedule

LECTOR: T. Hoke

SERVERS: Co. Beatty, A. Meyer,

C. Reynolds

COLLECTIONS

12/8: \$1132

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers for this week were furnished by Carol Smith in memory of Mike Smith.

HOLINESS IS WHOLENESS

BODY: Beware of "low fat" meals which may be high in carbohydrates.

MIND: Redefine "problems" as "challenges."

SPIRIT: Forgive others.

DECORATING TODAY

All are invited to stay after Mass today to decorate the church for Christmas.

FLOWER ENVELOPES DUE TODAY

Envelopes are available in the back of the church for donations to purchase

Christmas poinsettias.
Please put your name
and the name(s) of
those who wish to
honor on the envelope.
The envelopes need to
be turned in today (Dec. 22).

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2025 are available at the church entrance. Please take the box with your name on it. If you do not find your name on a box, take a blank box and write your name on the first few envelopes in 2025.

CHILDREN'S MASS & BREAKFAST

Thanks to our PSR students for their participation in last Sunday's Mass and to the parents, teachers, and St. Augustine Church Ladies for hosting the breakfast.

ROSARY

Pat Mach will be leading the Rosary each Sunday beginning at **7:40 a.m**. Everyone is welcome to participate.

What's Your Catholic IQ

- 1) On Christmas Day, Christians around the world exchange to celebrate the gift of salvation that has come through the birth of the Son of God.
 - a) cell phone numbers b) email addresses
 - c) presents d) Facebook accounts
- 2) Why do Christians have Christmas trees?
 - a) Evergreen trees point to new life during the dead season of winter b) Evergreens never (seem to) die, just as Christians will live forever because of Christ
 - c) it follows the eighth-century tradition of St. Boniface
 - d) all of the above

ANSWERS: 1. c) Following Christ's command "to love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12), Christians make gifts of their lives to each other at Christmas and all year. 2. d) St. Bonifiace cut down the sacred tree of the pagan god Thor to stop the sacrificing of humans. He told the people to take an evergreen tree, which pointed to heaven, into their homes, saying: "Call this the tree of the Christ Child. Gather about it, not in the wild woods but in your homes. There it will shelter no deeds of Christ Child. Gather about it, not in the wild woods but in your homes. Our Sunday Visitor).

St. Augustine Church

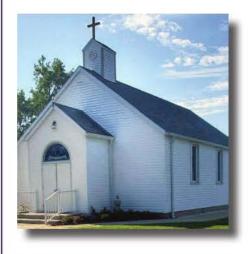
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Carol Smith, Secretary/Organist Della Weidel, DRE Denny Goodrich, Maintenance



PRAY FOR US

Please pray for: Jon Hobbs, Connie Reynolds, Mike Nieland, Joe Hess, 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, Vicki Sage. Marcy Wirsbinnske, Robert Mergy, Autumn Neville, Cindy Hamilton, Marge Albrecht, Mary Buschur, Lauren Williams, John Harris, Lisa Everman, Becky Hiser, Diane Miller, Jane Morris, Heather Klingensmith, Geneva Hommsteuter, Al Elam, Erin Sanderson, Patrick Huri, 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.

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

Mary, Help of Christians Church

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Rev. Mr. Max Roadruck, Deacon

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Michael Barclay, Associate Director of Youth Adult and Family Evangelization Julie Sewell, Administrative Assistant Patrick Morgan, Business Manager Kristen Kosey, Director of Music Eric Rogalinski, Maintenance

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

Parish Office Hours:

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

Parish School of Religion:

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

Parish Library: For access, call 937-878-8353

Marriages:

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

Anointing of the Sick:

Available on request. Call the rectory

For Hospital/Home Visit:

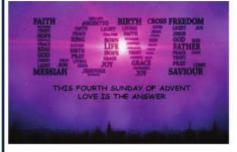
Call the Rectory Office.



PRAYER REQUEST

If you would like to join our MHC PRAYER CHAIN or have a special prayer request, contact Julie at jsewellmhc@gmail.com or call the parish office at 937-878-8353.

SPEAK LIFE



PSR: There will be no sessions December 22 & December 29. Sessions will resume January 5. Have a blessed and joyful Christmas!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORPORATE

COMMUNION: There will be a gathering of parish Knights of Columbus and their families at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 29. Beginning at 8:15 a.m. the Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary before

Mass. All are invited. LECTORS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION.



SACRISTANS, USHERS & SERVERS: Please check the sacristy this weekend for the new ministers schedule

for December, January & February 2. If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date and time please call and find a sub. If you have any questions please call the parish office. Thanks for your continued involvement in ministry.

NOVEMBER 2024 SUMMARY OF SERVICES: ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE



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 November we responded to 224 calls for assistance. We assisted 66 families with utilities. medicine, rent/ rent deposits, household goods and furniture. We also provided food for 109 families (234 adults and 193 children). Over the course of our last fiscal year (Oct. 2023-Sept. 2024), our 29 conference members helped a total of 6,282 people. We distributed over \$52,000 worth of donated goods (food and furniture) from our generous parishioners. Thank you for your committed, generous and faithful support. Read more about our work at Society of St Vincent de Paul (mhcparish.org).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEXT COLLECTION IS JANUARY 18-19. St.



Vincent de Paul collects monetary donations at the doors after Mass on the 3rd weekend of every month. Look for baskets at each of

the doors marked for St. Vincent dePaul. This week we will collect a can of Tuna or Salmon.

PLEASE HELP CLEAN THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!



We will be cleaning and sprucing up the church for Christmas on Monday. December 23 after the 7:45 a.m. Mass or around 8:45 a.m. We need many people to

clean, dust and vacuum. If you can help, please come. Thanks!

THE GIVING TREE THANK YOU



The Daughters of Isabella want to thank the parish and all involved for their fantastic response to The Giving Tree

Project and for its success this year. We thank everyone who helped with this annual project. May God bless you everyday and please know what a great difference you make every year with this project for our Fairborn Community. You have helped make Christmas and the whole season so special for many families. We so appreciate your generosity. Have a Blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

PSR PUPPET SHOW



The 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade PSR youth will present a prayerful and educational puppet show about The Epiphany of the Lord on

January 5 during PSR in the Parish Center around 10:30AM. All are welcome to attend.

MHC OFFICE HOURS OVER THE



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The MHC office will be closed Tuesday, December 24 at Noon,

Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, December 26. We will reopen Friday, December 27 at 9:30 a.m.

THE 2025 CATHOLIC CALENDARS are available on the bulletin table in the Gathering Space.

WWW.MHCPARISH.ORG

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

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME!

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

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

THE CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY: On Sunday, December 29 the



Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & 🌃 Joseph. As a further celebration this year the

Knights of Columbus are asking our Mary, Help of Christians families to also celebrate a Consecration to the Holy Family. Our Knights of Columbus Council 3724 will be making Consecration to the Holy Family prayer cards available for parishioners at the back of Church the week before the Feast of the Holy Family Sunday. Our hope is that this will strengthen parish families and revitalize our parishes. To aid in this effort, Fairborn Council 3724 is inviting each Mary, Help of Christians' family to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family and to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

LITURGICAL COLORS



After our four weeks of Advent purple, we arrive on Christmas Eve to see

our church beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. Our liturgical colors for Christmas are white and gold. In the secular world the colors of Christmas are green and red, so it is common to see these colors in the church, also-mainly in the popular red poinsettias and the green trees. If you read our article during the Easter season, you learned that white symbolizes Christ, purity, victory over death and joy among other things, and therefore, is used for our most holy solemnities and seasons, as well as baptisms and funerals. Our Christmas season continues until the Baptism of the Lord, which follows Epiphany. At that point, we enter the first round of Ordinary Time, which means measured, numbered time. (You may remember that we celebrated the long second round of Ordinary Time after the Easter Season.) Green symbolizes the hope we have with

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 December 23.

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, January 12 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.

ST. NICK THANKS



PSR BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICK On December 8, approximately 100 + parish children, teens,

parents & parishioners along with our catechists celebrated the feast of St. Nicholas during PSR. We began the morning with prayer led by Michael Barclay. Kristen Kosey and Denise Wetzel led us in song. The Knights of Columbus served a delicious breakfast. We had wonderful games & crafts and much more fun activities, while photos were taken with St. Nicholas. When our celebration ended, the children discovered St. Nicholas treats in their shoes that they left in the hallway! Thanks to the awesome K of C for providing breakfast. What a wonderful way to celebrate in the Advent Season.

Saturday, December 21-4:00 p.m.

Happy102 Birthday Paul Pitstick December 13

(Herman & Martha Karhoff)

Sunday, December 22-8:30 a.m.

+Marilyn Jean Smith (MHC Choir)

Monday, December 23-7:45 a.m.

+Velma Hobbs

(Teri Hobbs & Family)

Tuesday, December 24-7:45 a.m.

+Fred Rogalinski (Family)

Tuesday, December 24-4:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Vigil

+Pearl E. Sewell

(Family)

Wednesday, December 25 -8:30 q.m.

Christmas Day

+Jesse & Robert Snow

(John Snow)

Thursday, December 26–7:45 a.m.

+Jean Hickey (Family)

Friday, December 27-7:45 a.m.

+Joan Jerome

(The Doucette Family)

Saturday, December 28-4:00 p. m.

+James & Ruthellen MacDonald (Grandchildren)

Sunday, December 29-8:30 a.m.

+Rita Bland (Linda Paul)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

For 12/08/24

Regular Collection & Loose Cash &

Envelopes

\$12,254.00

Capital Improvements Donation

Collections

\$241.00

Total Collections For December 8, 2024

\$12,495.00

Church Renovation Project

Total Donations and Pledges as of 12/08/24

\$158.826.00

Collection for Immaculate Conception \$1.769.90

Collection Retirement Fund for Religious \$2,786.00

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY



SACRED HEART CHURCH/SACREDHEARTNC.NET

Sacred Heart Church

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Bulletin Submissions

bulletin@sacredheartnc.net January 12 deadline is Dec. 29 January 19 deadline is Jan. 6

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, December 22, 10:30 am Mass + Dick Harshbarger (Barbara Harshbarger)

Sunday, Diciembre 22, noon Mass

Por las persones en nuestra Familia de Parroquias (Father Bedel)

Tuesday, December 24, 7 p.m. Mass

+ Janet Addeo (Joanne Green)

Wednesday, December 25, 10:30 am Mass Living members of the Ryan & Yates Families (Mary Yates)

Wednesday, Diciembre 25, noon Mass Por todos los bebés del mundo

(Luz Maria Perez)

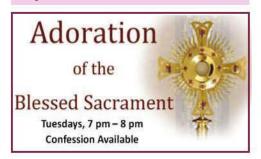
Thursday, December 26, 9 a.m. Mass

+ Robert Frantz (Putterbaugh Family)

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Help is needed to change the missals and clean up after Masses. This means putting hymn books back in place and gathering up any trash Please speak with Mary Yates after Mass or contact the parish office at 937-845-3121.







Successful Luncheon & Auction The Christmas Luncheon

& Auction hosted by the Sacred Heart Ladies Club on Wednesday, December 4, was a huge success. The wrapped gifts brought by the luncheon guests were auctioned off for \$2,052 which is almost double the total for 2023. All the proceeds were given to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas baskets for the needy in our area.

It was a fun and entertaining afternoon. If you were unable to come this year, we hope you are able to be part of the luncheon and auction on the first Wednesday in December 2025.

Christmas Card Sales

The St. Vincent de Paul Card-making Ladies thank you for your support of our recent Christmas card sales. We will donate \$415 to SVDP from our card and raffle sales. Congratulations to the winner of our raffle, Chris Vlasic. If you still need Christmas cards, please check our selection of beautiful cards on the racks in the gathering space.

Deck the Halls!

Volunteers Needed
Decorate Sacred Heart for Christmas
Sunday, December 22, at 1:30 p.m.

IGLESIA DEL SAGRADO CORAZON



Upcoming Events

Dec 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent
NO PSR Classes
Decorate Church, 1:30 pm

Dec 24-26 Parish Office Closed

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Mass, 7 pm

Dec 25 Christmas Day Mass, 10:30 am Mass, noon (Spanish)

Dec 26 Mass, 9 am
Patriotic Rosary, 9:30 am

Dec 29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph — NO PSR Classes

Jan 1 Holy Day of Obligation —
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy
Mother of God
Mass, 10:30 am
Mass, noon (Spanish)

Jan 3 First Friday Mass, 9 am

Jan 7 Adoration & Confession, 7 pm Sacred Heart Ladies Club, 7 pm Knights of Columbus, 8 pm

Jan 8 Sacred Heart Men's Group, 6:30 pm Women's Faith Group, 7 pm

Jan 11 Donate Used Christmas Items, 10 am to noon

Proximos eventos



Misa de Nochebuena 7:00 pm en inglés

Dic. 25 Misa de Navidad 12:00 pm español

Ene. 1 Misa de Año Nuevo 12:00 pm español





Alegrémonos porque el Señor está cerca de nosotros y viene a traernos la salvación. La espera llega a su fin, por eso hoy encenderemos la cuarta y última vela de nuestra corona. Que este símbolo nos recuerde la proximidad de la venida del Señor Jesús. ¡Dios Hecho Niño viene a reconciliar los corazones y estamos alegres! Nuestra esperanza crece cada vez más!



¡Les deseamos una muy Feliz Navidad para todos ustedes y sus familias! Que el niño Jesús llene nuestros corazones con su gran amor, mucha paz y gran alegría en este día tan especial.



The Parish Office will be closed December 24—26 for Christmas.

Nuestra oficina parroquial estará cerrada del 24 al 26 de Diciembre en observación de la Navidad.



Donate Christmas Decorations



Do you have Christmas decorations or trees in good condition that you no longer need or use? Please consider making a donation to the 2025 Snowflake Craft Bazaar.

Saturday, January 11 10 am — noon Sacred Heart Parish Center

Thanks from the Snowflake Bazaar

The Sacred Heart Ladies Club extends our heartfelt thank you to all the parishioners who donated food, beverages, baked goods, raffle baskets, basket donations and time for the Snowflake Bazaar. We also thank everyone who came to shop.

A special shout out to the following parishioners who went over and beyond to help us.

Marty Thompson, Jim and Cathy Reittinger, Kathy Grusenmeyer, Kathy Hopkins, Janet Troth, Denise Van Oss, Robin Bauer, Mike Engle, Dick Kraus, Hank Oakes, Myrna and Jerry Harkenrider, Diann Jennings, Jennifer Till, Gary Van Oss, Dave Fleischman, Don Hall, Matt and Christin Prenatt, Mike and Erika Gilles, Isabelle Prenatt, Brittany Snapp, Megan Snapp, the Fondon family, Rhonda Phillips, Luz Maria Perez, Julio Sanchez, Jr., the Perez family, Francisca Perez, the Martinez-Mendoza family. Botello-Herrera family, the Bernardino-Romera family, the Ruiz family, the Ceja-Martinez family, Danielle Thurston and Janice Mader.

SAINT BRIGID CHURCH

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Mark Danis, Deacon Dennis Kall, Deacon

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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.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 21 +Ron & Ronnie Roth (Brian & Wendy Roth)

Sunday, December 22 +Ken Williams

Tuesday, December 24 8 a.m. Mass: Parish Members 4:30 p.m. Mass: +Gerard Kall (Paula Zaino)

Wednesday, December 25 Midnight Mass: Parish Members 9:30 a.m. Mass: +Dr. & Mrs. N.J. Birkbeck (Tom Birkbeck) Thursday, December 26 Zoe Garcia (Garcia Family)

Friday, December 27 +In Thanksgiving (Garcia Family)

Saturday, December 28 +Maurice & Mary Ellen Peters (Peters Family)

> Sunday, December 29 +Larry O'Connor (Family)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 28

<u>Lector</u>: Mary Williams <u>Servers</u>: Kate Battista, Cassidy Peters, Garrett Hollon <u>EMHC</u>: Deacon Dennis Kall, Taryn Peters, Brenda Seilhamer Sunday, December 29

Lectors: Matthew Sparks
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CYO VOLLEYBALL

Registration for CYO Volleyball at St. Brigid is now open to St. Michael Family boys and girls in grades 3-8. Scan the QR code or visit the website below to register. For more information, email Brian Sticka via: bsticka@smafp.org

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Sunday, December 22

 Boy Scouts in Lunchroom 4:30 p.m.

Friday, December 27

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

Saturday, December 28

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

Sunday, December 29

 Boy Scouts in Lunchroom 4:30 p.m.

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 \$680,000.00

 Collections To Date
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 \$325,905.47

 Week 24 Collection
 \$10,524.15

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EUCHARISTIC 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/January2025Adoration



Childcare is available during the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and 11 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

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IN SYMPATHY

Patricia Sumida

BAZAAR RAFFLE

The co-chairs of the Christmas Bazaar Raffle Booth would like to thank the many generous donors who made contributions to our booth. We would also like to thank our booth workers for helping us out every year. Congratulations to all the winners!

Raffle Winners: Pat Buckholt, Nic Burja (2), Angela Cargle, Carrie (3), Kristi Chxnowck, Walt Cosnowski (2), Rodney Fink, Anmarie Hagg, Gerry Hamrock, Judy Hart, Pam Heyart, Max Hudson, Denise Hurley, Haley Isham, Ginny Martin, Maureen, Terry McCann, Ashley Novak, Ann Rudd, Jennifer Sagers, Kelly Schmidt (2), Stacie Severyn, Mary Sroga, Janet Stohr, Jinnie Wikins, Sandy Zimmerman.

SVDP GIVING TREE

Many thanks to all who participated in the SVDP Giving Tree. Your thoughtfulness made the holidays much brighter for our nursing home neighbors.

EVENING MEAL HELP

Help is needed Monday, January 6, and Wednesday, January 8, to prepare the

evening meal for Family Promise of Greene County. Please scan this code or visit https:// shorturl.at/CrQzk to sign up for needed meal items. Call Anmarie at



937-272-4615 with any questions.

GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY

All are welcome to join a study of St. Paul's letter to the Galations in the Jansen Center beginning Jan. 15. The studies will have two sessions, at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., to choose from on Wednesdays. Call Tom at 937-426-1733, xt. 6301, to sign up and order study guides.

BEAUTIFICATION CAMPAIGN

A committee has formed to lead a significant beautification of St. Luke Church in 2025. First, six parishioners are needed to spend three hours a week in prayer for the success of this project. If interested, please

contact Deacon Danis at 937-426-1733, Ext. 6206. In addition, some parishioners recently asked the parish to establish a beautification fund so that donations



are eligible for tax benefits before the end of the year. That fund can now accept donations electronically (via the QR code above or web address below) or during Mass collections. Contributions can be made by check by simply indicating "Beautification Fund" on the memo line. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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"Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled" is the title of the next study for the St. Michael Family's Women of Faith. With Luke's powerful prose and unique parables, you will learn about the love and mercy our Savior has for you as well as the Biblical roots of our Catholic Faith, the Mass, Mary, and the rosary. The eight-session study is scheduled for 10-11 a.m. in Kramer Hall starting on January 14. Study guide's can be ordered by calling 937-426-1733, xt. 6301. The cost is \$30.

DECORATION DONATIONS

The Boosters are accepting "gently used" artificial Christmas trees and decorations until Jan. 31 to restock the "Attic Treasures" booth for next year's Bazaar. Donations may be dropped off at Jansen Center and receipts can be provided. Please identify items as donations for the Boosters. Call Patti at 937-545-8954 with any questions.

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All parish offices and facilities are scheduled to close on Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) at noon and to remain closed Dec. 25-26. The nursery will be closed on Saturday, Dec 28, and Sunday, Dec. 29.

There is no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament scheduled for Dec. 24, but it is scheduled to be held Thursday, Dec. 26, and Tuesday, Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve). Benediction is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Dec. 31.

All parish offices and facilities are scheduled to close on Dec. 31 at noon and remain closed all day on Jan. 1.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 21

8:30 a.m. Mass: Celebrant's Intention 5:30 p.m. Mass: +William Jesse (The Fazio Family)

Sunday, December 22

9 a.m. Mass: Maria Dora Innamorato (Mary Accorinti) 11 a.m. Mass: +Dora Mae Lehman (The Fazio Family)

Monday, December 23 +Jim Sroga (Ed & Ampi Arnold)

Tuesday, December 24

8:30 a.m. Mass: Ann Rieser (Barth & Laura Snyder) 5:30 p.m. Mass: +Marty Keim (Friend) 11 p.m. Mass: +Siegrist & Bertke Families (Dickman Family)

Wednesday, December 25

9 a.m. Mass: Matthew Rutherford (Irene Rutherford) 11 a.m. Mass: +John & Brittany Bedel Anniversary (Bedel Family)

Thursday, December 26

+Jim Sroga (Knights of Columbus -Bishop Ford Assembly)

Friday, December 27 +Dorothea Meade (Jane Dockery)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 12/1 (WEEK 23)

Weekend Total \$25,262.71 \$588,306.74 Yearly Total Holy Days Immaculate Conception \$60.00 Total Holy Days \$10,478.58 Regular+Holy Day Total \$598,785.32 Budgeted: Each Weekend \$29,614.00 Total thru Week 23 \$681,123.84 Non-Parish Collection(s) St. Vincent de Paul \$359.61 Human Development \$90.00 Miscellaneous Collection(s) School Ministry \$49.79

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Tuesday, Dec. 24
For the Parish Members

Wednesday, Dec. 25 +Tom Schopmeyer (Susan Szymczak)

> Sunday, Dec. 29 +Roger & Peggy Pitstick (Rick & Kathy Sanders)

Dec. 29 SCHEDULE

SACRISTAN: Cassie Ditmer & Patty Alexander SERVER/S: Marco & Sophia Meyer, Vickie Hoomes LECTOR: Desiree Powers

FRIDAY LUNCHEON UPDATE

The next luncheon has been moved to the fourth Friday on Jan. 25. The week change is for January only. The guest speaker will be Spencer Hargadon, Adult Faith Coordinator. Sign up in the undercroft or by texting/calling Kathy Sanders at 937-272-0413.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Those wishing to place flowers in the church in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one should please contact Kathy Sanders at 937-272-0413.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to join St. Paul Prayer Warriors or have a special request, please contact Vickie Hoomes at **937-360-4569** or via email at: **vbhoomes@aol.com**

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.

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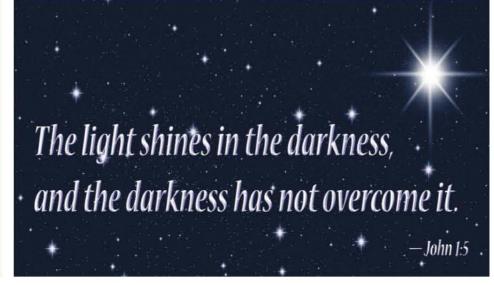
Please bring donations (dry and canned goods) to Mass and place them in the bottom, labeled cabinet in the Undercroft on the right, near the Confessional.

Parishioners from St. Paul deliver the items to the food pantry in Yellow Springs. Thank you for anything you can donate.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH DEC. 8

General Collection for Dec. 8_	\$3,125.00
Immaculate Conception	\$405.00
YTD General Collections	\$63,905.00
Weekly Maintenance/Restorate	tion\$30.00
YTD Maintenance/Restoration	3,708.49
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