

St. Joseph Church

November 23, 2014 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
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St. Joseph Parish

Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Saint Joseph Parish, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus Christ, proclaim, witness and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us, through service, healing and reconciling love.



Masses for the Week

Monday, Nov 24,	12:00 Noon	St. Joseph Parishioners
Tuesday, Nov 25,	12:00 Noon	Lawrence Buedel
Wednesday, Nov 26,	12:00 Noon	Patrick Somers
Thursday, Nov 27,	12:00 Noon	Robert Caulfield
Friday, Nov 28,	12:00 Noon	Josephine Wegerzyn
Saturday, Nov 29,	12:00 Noon	Clara Dieringer
	4:30 p.m.	Ancient Order of Hibernians Memorial Mass
Sunday, Nov 30,	10:00 a.m.	Dan Hartke

Parish Registration: Call the rectory Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Baptisms: Call the rectory to schedule

Weddings: You must be a registered parish member for six months to set a date. Allow 6 months preparation time.

Confessions: Monday thru Saturday 11:30 am until 11:55 am

Holy Day Mass: Noon on the Holy day

St. Joseph Staff

Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., Pastor
Rev. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S., Assoc Pastor
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St. Joseph Update

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Make plans to spend time with the Lord this Advent. St. Joe's will have Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the three Saturdays during Advent (12/6, 12/13, 12/20) following Noon Mass until 4:00 pm at which time there is the opportunity for Confession. There will be group prayer as well as time for private meditation and reflection.

Please sign-up for a specific hour using the sheets in the back of church or just drop in whenever you can for personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. If you have questions, please call Bobby at 435-4858.

What Child is This?

You are invited to take an Advent scriptural journey on a path through the Old Testament arriving at Bethlehem where you will meet evangelists who proclaim quite amazing "Good News" to all the earth. Surprising twists, turns, mysteries, and marvels await as you discover the radical and joyous message of Christmas.

Where: St. Joseph School cafeteria
When: Fridays, Dec. 5, 12, and 19,
from 10:30- 11:45 a.m.
Presenter: Dennie Stieritz, retired chairperson
Theology Dept. Carroll H.S. and
adjunct U.D.

Opening of The Year of Consecrated Life

Next Sunday, November 30th, at the 10:30 A.M. Mass, Emmanuel Church will host the Archdiocesan celebration for the opening of The Year of Consecrated Life called for by Pope Francis. Bishop Joseph Binzer will be the celebrant for this Mass and we will have many guests with us. Br. Bob has told us that 34 Marianists will be coming to the Mass and there will be consecrated religious from other congregations with us as well. Following the Mass there will be a social with donuts and refreshments in the Chaminade-Julienne Cafeteria. There will be representatives from 9 religious congregations available to help us learn more about the gift of a vocation to consecrated life. Everyone is invited!

Live Nativity Presentation

The Parishes of Region 7 are working together to host a live nativity to help all of us appreciate the humble birth of our savior. Along



with the cast of the Holy Family, shepherds and kings there will be camels, donkeys, sheep and goats to enjoy, hot drinks, Christmas carols and crafts for the children. If you are interested in helping please contact your parish office and leave your name and phone number. We hope to see you on December 7th from 12:30-3:00 PM at Holy Trinity Church.

**Happy
Thanksgiving**



Prayer List

*Please keep the following people in your prayers.
Please call the rectory if you would like someone
added to the prayer list.*

<i>Patricia Bornhorst</i>	<i>Bennett Hart</i>
<i>Greg Bowers</i>	<i>Marie Henry</i>
<i>Susan Busch</i>	<i>Brittany Keirns</i>
<i>Pamela Cabrera</i>	<i>Randy Kramer</i>
<i>Fran & Al Dabrowski</i>	<i>Bill Lauber</i>
<i>Joyce Craig</i>	<i>Chris Luehrs</i>
<i>Nancy Dolan</i>	<i>Lindsey Luehrs</i>
<i>George Dopf</i>	<i>Milo Nickles</i>
<i>Rachel Dudley</i>	<i>Joe Moretto</i>
<i>Earl Evans Jr</i>	<i>Robert Morris</i>
<i>Mary Fiste</i>	<i>Anna Pole</i>
<i>Joseph Franchina</i>	<i>Stephanie Potter</i>
<i>Darrel Francis</i>	<i>Isaiah Ramsey</i>
<i>Gail Gaeth</i>	<i>Tony Riggs</i>
<i>Richard Gill</i>	<i>Gerry Slattery</i>
<i>Jim Hanerty</i>	<i>Ed Sullivan</i>
<i>Dan Hartke</i>	<i>Betty Wenzel</i>

Pastor's Corner

St. Paul says, "Dedicate yourself to Thankfulness."

It seems redundant to offer a Mass in Thanksgiving. That's what every Mass is. Surely, the Mass includes many other themes at times, it is prayer of praise, it is prayer of petition, it is a prayer for someone who has died, it is a reminder of Jesus death and resurrection, it is a vehicle for preaching the gospel. In every instance though, it is a way to tell God thanks, thanks for his love, thanks for his blessings, thanks for all that he has done for us in Jesus, thanks for the faith, hope, and love that has nourished and strengthened us down the highs and lows of life.

Sure, most of us have worked for what we have. But we forget that if it weren't for the health, the intelligence, the opportunities, the work skills and values we have been given, we would not have been able to accomplish much. We forget. And so we are reminded. We are reminded by a tradition that goes all the way back to 1622 by a colony of settlers who were glad to have survived during that year. They had lost half of their colony the previous cold winter. This tradition was made a national holiday during another difficult time, 1863. It was the third year of the civil war. Especially during our most difficult times we need to be on our knees and be thankful.

It is unfair to say this of everyone, but it seems sometimes that the more we human beings are given, the less grateful we become. We are reminded by our faith that Thanksgiving is an attitude, an attitude that we are to carry with us all the time. As we hear St. Paul tell us: "dedicate yourselves to thankfulness." It is an attitude that is a basic part of our personalities. It comes from humility – knowing that we are indebted to the goodness of our Creator. It leads to joy.

If you want to find joy, start being grateful. A person who is always wanting more or who is never satisfied, a person who thinks the world owes him a living, a person caught up in material things and self-centeredness will never find joy. It is only when we know how blessed we are that we will begin to experience joy, but we will only know how blessed we are when we start cultivating the virtue of gratitude. So count your blessing today, right now. This poem may lead our reflection.

Fr. Ken

*Thankful
Blessed
Grateful*

"Count"

*Count your blessings instead of your crosses;
Count your gains instead of your losses.
Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of your foes.
Count your smiles instead of your tears;
Count your courage instead of your fears.
Count your full years instead of your lean;
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself.*

Offertory Envelopes

The 2015 offertory envelopes have arrived. Please pick up your envelopes in the back of church.

Blessed Shopping!

Come select gifts for your family from handcrafted items for the kids, for your home, for yourself and for holiday decorating. Don't forget the wonderful flavors of Fair Trade coffee, tea, chai, cocoa and chocolate. Your shopping at the region's Fair Trade Sale at St. Peter Church, 6161 Chambersburg Road, Huber Heights, Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. will help families around the world and stand in solidarity with them. Enjoy international performances, lunch on the premises and a visit from St. Nick with treats for children of all ages. For more information contact the Catholic Social Action Office at 937-224-3026 or csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD grants improve education, support economic development, and help communities provide housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and aid those living on the margins of society. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

Anniversary Celebration

Queen of Martyrs Parish, 4134 Cedar Ridge Rd. Dayton, will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the dedication of their church on Sunday, Dec. 7th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by an Open House reception/party in McAuley Hall. We welcome all parishioners, former parishioners, students and friends to come celebrate this event with us. Please plan to attend and share the memories!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions
Tuesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday: Thanksgiving Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass Times

Monday, December 8th

7:30am – Emmanuel

Noon – St. Joseph

6:00pm – Holy Trinity

Our Lady of Kibeho Feast Mass

All are welcome to join in the Feast Mass of Our Lady of Kibeho (RWANDA) on Saturday, Nov. 29 at Emmanuel Parish. Confessions will be from 10:00 to 10:40am and Mass begins at 11:00am. A celebration will follow the Mass and a documentary DVD of the first apparitions of the Virgin Mary in Africa, approved by Vatican, will also be shown. For more information, please contact Lisa Donigian at 937-901-2727 or aramnlisa@aol.com.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Gary Eilers

Cody Landers

Greg Marcus

Alex McGarvey

David Musgrove

Jessica Pruitt

Financial Information

Collection for November 16th \$5240.00

Charity \$256.00

Thank You!

Start With Gratitude

Gratitude is the inward feeling of kindness received. Thankfulness is the natural impulse to express that feeling. Thanksgiving is the following of that impulse.

- Henry van Dyke

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37