

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

April 3, 2016

Divine Mercy Sunday

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S.

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S.

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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 4

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Eugenia Buschur
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Stephen Azaloff

Tuesday, April 5

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Purgatorial Society
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Timothy Lee

Wednesday, April 6

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Most Forgotten Souls
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Deceased members of Dominic
Cassano family

Thursday, April 7

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Cecilia Muckenthaler
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Martha Fisher

Friday, April 8

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Kathy Doncaster
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Dennis Greene

Saturday, April 9

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Robert Madden
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Michael Kiss
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For the parishioners
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For the parishioners

Sunday, April 10

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Mary Behr
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members
Enochs Family
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Connie Zvonar

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

Confession Schedule

Emmanuel: Saturday 4:00-5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM
Holy Trinity: Sunday: 8:00 AM
St. Joseph: Monday-Saturday 11:30 AM; Saturday: 4:00 PM

Emmanuel Church

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Br. Matt Schaefer, C.P.P.S. DRE & Bookkeeper

Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary

Dennis Pyles, Maintenance

Gary Geisel, Music Director

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Judith L Trick, Business Manager

Jan Reed, Pastoral Associate

Thomas Aldridge, Music Director

Saint Joseph Church

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Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager

Bill Baron, Maintenance

Bradley Wilson, Music Director

Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction at Emmanuel on Tuesdays 7:00 PM

Anointing of the Sick the first weekend of the month.

To Register for any parish please contact the parish office

For Baptisms, Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound please contact your parish office.

PASTOR'S PEN...

On this Second Sunday of Easter we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. The appearance of the Risen Lord to the followers of Jesus was a tremendous act of mercy. As the light of God's mercy shines on us we are in turn to offer mercy to our neighbors and all who live in doubt and fear. St. John Paul II once wrote: "As a gift to humanity, which sometimes seems bewildered and overwhelmed by the power of evil, selfishness and fear, the Risen Lord offers His love that pardons, reconciles, and reopens hearts to love. It is a love that converts hearts and gives peace. In humility we come before God and pray: *'Jesus, I trust in you, have mercy upon us and upon the whole world.'*"

This feast points to the merciful love of God that lies behind the whole Paschal Mystery—the whole mystery of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ—made present for us in the Eucharist. The image of Divine Mercy is that of the Risen Lord standing with two rays of light shining from His heart and illuminating the world. These two rays of light represent blood and water. The blood recalls the sacrifice of the cross and the gift of the Eucharist, the water, in Johannine symbolism, represents not only Baptism but also the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The mercy of God is revealed over and over again in the various accounts of the resurrection. Jesus appears to his disciples with the comforting words "Peace be with you!" He could have really given it to the disciples for denying him and failing to stay with him in his passion and death but he didn't, he said: "Peace be with you."

The gospel for this Sunday is the well-known account of Thomas doubting the presence of the Risen Lord. Christ invites Thomas to probe the wounds of crucifixion and to cease in his unbelief. Thomas makes the humble statement of faith, "My Lord and my God." It is significant that the risen, glorified body of Jesus continues to show the wounds of crucifixion. You would think that those wounds would have been taken away in a glorified body and no longer present. Jesus is making an important statement as he reveals his Risen body. The wounds are no longer festering and bleeding, but have become sacred wounds. His wounds are now a place of refuge and mercy. God understands our suffering and wants us to know that our wounds can be transformed and can become sacred wounds that are able to be a source of healing for others.

All of us carry wounds from the past; wounds from our family of origin, wounds of illness or disabilities, wounds from abuse or unjust treatment, wounds of a lost dream or broken promises. Wounds can be destructive or wounds can be constructive. In reflecting upon personal wounds Fr. Ronald Rohlheiser says, "That which we do not transform, we transmit." He reminds us that if we do not do the work of transforming our wounds, then we will simply transmit the hurt, pain and suffering that we received when we were wounded. Through the Precious Blood of Jesus we can find the strength we need to forgive others and to remember our past in a new way; to allow the mercy of God to fill us with the strength to forgive.

When we work with Jesus to transform our wounds into sacred wounds then we are able to share them with others as healing wounds like Jesus did with Thomas. It is in this journey of

PASTOR'S PEN...Continued

forgiveness and reconciliation that we find meaning in the cross of Christ; that suffering can become redemptive, it can become a path to new life.

PASTORAL REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Mercy Sunday at Emmanuel

Sunday, April 3rd is Divine Mercy Sunday. Emmanuel Church will be hosting an afternoon of prayer in honor of this Feast which was instituted for the Second Sunday of Easter by Pope John Paul II in the year 2000. The message of Divine Mercy was given to Saint Faustina of Poland.

The message of Divine Mercy is rooted in the Gospel reading for this Sunday. In John's Gospel, Chapter 20, Jesus appears to the disciples and says to them "Peace be with you." "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." When speaking about the days within the Octave of Easter St. Augustine referred to them as "the days of mercy and pardon," and the Octave Day itself as "the compendium of the days of mercy." During the Octave of Easter we are invited to call upon the Divine Mercy of Jesus to guide us as we pray for the dying, for forgiveness and mercy, for conversion, for healing or for renewed hope.

Schedule at Emmanuel for April 3, 2016:

12:15 PM - 2:00 PM Confessions, beginning with
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1:15 PM Rosary
1:45 PM Benediction
2:00 PM Mass
3:00 PM Three O'clock Prayer, Chaplet of Mercy

Catholic Relief Services...Next week, we will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people. Please give generously and help Jesus in disguise.

CPR and AED Training Available

The Health Ministries Team is once again recruiting parishioners to be re-certified or trained in CPR and the use of the Automated External Defibrillators (AED) that are in place at both Holy Trinity and St. Joseph parishes. The training is scheduled for Sat., April 16th in Trinity Center from 9 am – 12 noon. This class provides a casual yet informative and hands-on approach to learning these life-saving techniques. A nominal fee of \$10.00 per person will be charged and the region will cover the remaining costs. Light refreshments will be served. Pre-registration is required by April 12, 2016. Contact Sharon Becker at 227-9452, or at sharonbecker6@gmail.com to register or for further information.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

To date, our parishes have pledged:

Emmanuel:	\$33,169.00	Goal: \$17,164.00
Holy Trinity:	\$10,443.00	Goal: \$13,867.00
St. Joseph:	\$15,767.00	Goal: \$15,991.00

Year of Mercy Lenten Pilgrimage

Precious Blood Center, 5114 South Elizabeth St., Chicago, IL
Directed by Father David Kelly, C.P.P.S., the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation is a restorative justice project in poor south Chicago communities. Sisters of the Precious Blood and lay staff members strive to be a resource for healing and rebuilding after violence and conflict. <http://www.pbmr.org>
Some St. Joseph parishioners may remember Fr. Kelly, he was here in the late 70's and early 80's for a short time. He has been involved with the prison ministry since he left Dayton.

The reflection on Mercy is:

God's mercy is boundless. Whatever you are facing, God's love is there to conquer it. Think about your own personal trials and battles. Say yes to the love of God in each situation.

Lenten Pilgrimage Progress thru March 26th.

Miles for week: 426
Total Miles for the Pilgrimage: 2353
Percent to goal: 78%

We are headed for an early arrival at our goal. Great job!

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 27, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7385.00	\$8989.00

YTD excess or (deficit) \$2333.83

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.

Fr. Angelo and Ken

Prayer List

If you are seriously ill or undergoing surgery and would like your name added to the prayer list for 4 weeks, please call the Parish Office, 228-2013.

Virginia Allen

Eugene Wilson

High School & Adult Catholic Education

Saturdays, 9:30-11:00am in the Church Basement.

April 9th: Why Do I Need the Church?

April 16th: Mary and the Saints and The Last Things.

Emmanuel's VBS 2016 Is Moving To A New Date.

June 20-24, 2016. Please note this in your calendar and make us a part of your summer plans. Registration forms and additional information will be coming soon. Thank you

Food 4 Thought

Our very own parishioner, Jiffie Hart will share her pilgrimage of 40 days/500 mile trek on the Way of St. James in France/Spain. We can now enjoy the pilgrimage through her eyes and experiences on Sunday, April 17th so come and hear. Please see flyers in back of Church with all the details or contact Charlie/Susie 890-6262. Reservations are a must.

Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee

Mother Nature Gets the Last Word. "Contraceptives are linked to increased incidence of migraine headaches ... gallbladder disease, changes in vision and a host of other clinical problems, including death." Want to read more? See the free pamphlet from One More Soul, "The Pill vs NFP", in the back of church.



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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 27, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$8674.00

YTD excess or (deficit) (\$4462.40)

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Fr. Angelo and Ken

*Are you like Thomas?
Do you need to see to believe?
Pray for faith and trust.*

Holy Trinity Outing at The Dayton Dragon's Game. We had such fun last year; we've decided to do it again. The date is July 29 and we have reserved 50 seats. If you would like to fill one of those seats, please call Judi to get on the list.

All plant sale order forms along with the money need to be turned in by Tuesday, April 5. Thank you!

Our Annual Rummage Sale... will be May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. When roaming through your home and you have usable things you no longer need, please set them aside for our sale. Drop off dates for your donations will be starting in April. No clothing or shoes please. If you have any questions, please call Don and Pam Richison at 253-3135.

Parish Pastoral Council Elections will take place in May. In the meantime we are recruiting nominees and accepting self nominations. If you think you would like to serve on our Council, please call the parish office.

Thank you to all who helped dispense beverages and those who parked cars for the St. Patrick's Day celebration at the Pub. Tips and parking netted the parish \$5011.25. A job well done and we sure do appreciate you and friends of the parish.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 27, 2016

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$8305.50
Charity: \$ 203.00
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Congratulations to parishioner Rebekka Anders who was brought into Full Communion with the Catholic Church on Holy Saturday.

A bracelet with two rings on it was found on the parish grounds. If this is yours please call the parish office 228-9272.

Join us for Coffee and Donuts following the 10:00 Mass next weekend in the school cafeteria. All are welcome.

Please keep the following people in your prayers. Call the rectory if you would like to be added to the prayer list.

Gene Austin Jeanne Folfas Lee Pleiman
Betty Criner Layla Kubis Tony Riggs
Rita Downs

Hearing Aid Receivers Available...Are you having difficulty hearing the Mass? If so, we have hearing aid receivers available for your use. Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it just give it back to an usher.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Michael Cook Tim Melvin David Musgrove
Gary Eilers Matthew Melvin Jessica Pruitt
Cody Landers Alex McGarvey Devin Torre
Greg Marcus

AREA ACTIVITIES

April 9th Memorial Tree Care Day in memory of Sr. Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN.

Plant tree seedlings at Five Rivers' Great Miami Mitigation Bank, 2773 N. Snyder Rd, Dayton, 45426 on Saturday, April 9, 2016, 8:45 - 12:00 noon, rain or shine. Families are welcome. RSVP by April 5th to yvonne.dunphe@metroparks.org, 277- 4147. Give name/phone, church and number- participating (estimates acceptable). Event support from the Weavers of Justice & Dayton Catholic Social Action Office.

Solemnity of the Annunciation Mass at Holy Angeles Church, Dayton, Monday, April 4, 7:00 pm. Father Greg Konerman, priest & homilist. Special blessings for families expecting a birth and those suffering loss of a child. Our Lady of America presentation and hospitality following Mass. www.OneMoreSoul.com, steve@omsoul.com, 937-626-0027

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program will offer informational meetings in the Dayton area at 7 p.m. April 6, and 10 a.m. on April 9. Come and see how lay Catholic studies can enrich your life. Join LPMP Associate Director Deacon Hal Belcher at the Pilarczyk Center, 1436 Needmore Road, Dayton, to learn about classes beginning in August. Offered on Saturday mornings and afternoons, the classes are designed for adult Catholics who want to grow in faith, knowledge, and skills for service. Learn about the benefits of lay formation, program options, courses, fees, and the application process. All are welcome. Call 419-305-5486 or email [bbelcher001@woh.rr.com](mailto:bhelcher001@woh.rr.com) for more information.

The Legion of Mary invites all to a consecration to Jesus through Mary in the spirituality of St. Louis Marie de Montfort on Sunday, April 10th, at 2 p.m. at St. Albert the Great church, 3033 Far Hills Ave., Kettering, OH 45429. The ceremony will include the Rosary and benediction. A reception will follow. Rsvp with the number coming by April 3rd to Gloria Dodd, (937) 229-1431, glrdodd@yahoo.com.



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