Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes April 10, 2016

3rd Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.PP.S. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.PP.S. Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood www.cpps-preciousblood.org





Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 11 7:30 AM Holy Trinity......Dolly Dunigan 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Stephen Azaloff

Tuesday, April 12

7:30 AM Holy Trinity......Kathy Armstrong 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Benjamin Wegerzyn

Wednesday, April 13

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Roy Place 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Dan Dalton

Thursday, April 14

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John Duffy 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Ron Sano

Friday, April 15

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Jack Rodeghero 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

Saturday, April 16

7:30 AM	Emmanuel	Effie Minham		
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Deceased members of Tom & Mary		
		Griffin family		
4:30 PM	St. Joseph	Living & deceased members of		
	-	Moretto family		
5:15 PM	Emmanuel	.For our parishioners		
Sunday, April 17				

8:30 AM Holy Trinity......Tom & Gerry Eden 10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Stephen, Ethel, & James Sichman 10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Adam & Emily Demeter family 11:30 AM Holy Trinity......For our parishioners

Next Week's Readings: Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10: 27-30

Confession Schedule

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



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Emmanuel Church

149 Franklin St. - 45402
Office: 937-228-2013Web Site: www.emmanuelcatholic.comE-mail: parishoffice@emmanuelcatholic.com
Deacon Rusty BaldwinBr. Matt Schaefer, C.PP.S. DRE & Bookkeeper
Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary
Dennis Pyles, Maintenance
Gary Geisel, Music Director

Holy Trinity Church

272 Bainbridge St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-1223 Web Site: www.holytrinitydayton.org E-mail: ht_busmgr@sbcglobal.net Deacons: George Zvonar, Michael Leo Judith L Trick, Business Manager Jan Reed, Pastoral Associate Thomas Aldridge, Music Director

Saint Joseph Church

411 East Second St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-9272 Web Site: www.stjosephdayton.org E-mail: stjosephday@sbcglobal.net 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...

This weekend we are given another opportunity to reflect upon an encounter with the Risen Lord. The disciples had returned to Galilee and were trying to get back to a normal life. Yes, they had already encountered the Risen Jesus two times now, but it was not clear to them what they were to do in this new reality. The disciples continued to carry the heavy burden of their past, their dreams were dead. So, they try to go back to their old way of life...fishing.

Jesus breaks into their lives once again and tells them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat. This change resulted in a great catch of fish. Some say the number of 153 fish is referencing the number of known nations in the world at that time. In other words, with this catch, Jesus wanted them to return to their vocation of gathering people into the net of God's love rather than simply catching fish.

While on shore, Jesus takes on the familiar role of servant, just as he had done at the Last Supper and prepared a meal for His disciples. Then, in a spirit of hospitality He invites them to bring some of the fish they just caught to be prepared. The meal is not only about what Jesus can do for them, but they too have something to offer at this meal signaling the important role they will play in continuing the mission of Jesus. Jesus will be working through them as part of his Risen presence in the world.

Joining with Jesus in this meal of bread and fish takes their memory back to the experience of the multiplication of the loaves and fish as well as the more recent meal He shared with them at the Last Supper. In the breaking of the bread they encounter the Risen Lord. Just as Jesus created a safe environment for the disciples in the upper room when He appeared to them and said "Peace, be with you," so too, He reassures them on the shoreline of their precious identity as children of God by providing such a huge catch of fish after they had worked all night on their own and caught nothing.

Like a good host, Jesus waits until after breakfast is over to begin his questioning of Peter. By asking Peter whether or not he loves Jesus, Jesus is reconnecting Peter to himself and to the community. Notice he is not asking whether or not he recognized Jesus, he is asking if Peter loves Him, it is a question of relationship. Jesus is addressing the lie in which Peter denied knowing Jesus. In the presence of the other disciples Peter is reconnected with the truth that he is a beloved child of God who has been forgiven.

Finally, Jesus commissions Simon Peter by telling him to feed His lambs. Not only is Jesus reconnecting Peter to the community of Jesus, he is also giving him a particular job within the community. He is once again Peter, the rock upon which the community of believers is to be built. Jesus' three questions are in a sense a ritual way of undoing Peter's three denials helping Peter to forgive himself.

This resurrection account is a beautiful story of reconciliation. Jesus recognizes the broken relationship and the disciple's inability to understand forgiveness, that all is not lost. Jesus, the victim, provides an environment of hospitality for reconciliation to take place by preparing a very familiar meal and patiently

PASTOR'S PEN...Continued

listening to their story. Jesus has forgiven them, now the disciples need to forgive themselves. Remembering the past in a new way, with the eyes of faith that comes through belief in resurrection life, the disciples are able to dream again. The crucifixion was not the end, but actually the beginning of their call to continue the mission of Jesus; to share the Father's love, mercy and forgiveness to the whole world. This is our call as well. May we be an Easter people who follow the example of Jesus as ministers of reconciliation in our families, community and world today.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy Series

During the season of Lent we reflected upon the corporal works of mercy. During the Easter season we will reflect upon the spiritual works of mercy and their importance in our lives. The spiritual works of mercy began to develop in the patristic period (from the end of the apostolic age until the Council of Chalcedon in AD 451). They respond to deficiencies in the spiritual realm of life. "The Spiritual Works of Mercy can be grouped into three blocks. First are the three initial works of vigilance: 1) counsel the doubtful; 2) instruct the ignorant; 3) admonish sinners. Then there are three central works focused on reconciliation: 4) comforting the afflicted; 5) forgiving offenses willingly; 6) bearing wrongs patiently. Finally is the work that sums up the others: 7) prayer, focused on asking God on behalf of the living and the dead." (James Keenan. The Works of Mercy. The Heart of Catholicism, 2008)

Council the Doubtful

On the Feast of Divine Mercy which we celebrated last weekend we always read from St. John's account of Thomas remaining in unbelief until he is able to put his finger into the nail marks and his hand into the side of the Risen Lord. Thomas' doubt is removed as he encounters the Risen Lord and acclaims, "My Lord and My God." The experience of doubt is something very familiar to us. There is much we do not understand in life and we easily doubt that God is near. Doubt-filled people can include those who find it hard to trust that God loves them or is there for them; those who are easily swayed by false teachers; those who need more instruction in the faith or those who could benefit from a strong role model in the faith. It is a challenge to turn our will over to God and to truly trust in Him and so a doubt can simply be seen as an invitation to a deeper faith. It takes a lot of patience to walk with the doubtful because they can easily lose faith and fall back into doubt. That is why we need to nurture a heart of mercy by practicing the virtues of patience and perseverance which are gifts often reflected in the actions of the Risen Lord.

PASTORAL REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Relief Services

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, those who suffer from unjust laws, and those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. **World Day of Prayer for Vocations...**Next Sunday, April 17th, is *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations. As a family, take time to talk about the various vocation choices: married people, single people, diocesan priest, deacon, religious priest, brother, or sister. With each vocation choice share what is attractive about that life style, what would be hard about that life style, and then share what gifts you see in yourself or others in the family to live out that vocation choice.

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 227-9452, or at sharonbecker6@gmail.com to register.

Year of Mercy Lenten Pilgrimage...Saint Joseph College, 1498 South College Avenue, Rensselaer, Indiana. Campus ministry includes working with Covenant House, a homeless shelter for youth ages 16 - 22. Students also volunteer in local food pantries and soup kitchens <u>www.saintjoe.edu/</u>.

The reflection on Mercy is:

Like Thomas, we need to experience God's love and mercy for ourselves. How have you discovered God's mercy in the past?

Lenten Pilgrimage Progress thru April 3rd

Total miles for the week: 485; Total miles for the Pilgrimage: 2838; Percent to goal: 94%. Terrific job and thanks to all who are participating we are way ahead of schedule.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for April 3, 2016

Weekend Offertory: Budget \$7385.00

Collection \$5984.78

YTD excess or (deficit) \$933.61 Tithe to Emmanuel St. Vincent DePaul \$664.97 Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners. Frs. 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

April 19th is the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Ordination of Fr. Emmanuel Fale. To celebrate this special anniversary Fr. Angelo has invited Fr. Emmanuel to share a few comments during coffee and donuts following the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 17th. Education is an important cause for Fr. Emmanuel in his home country of the Cameroon. A basket will be available if you would like to make a donation for Education in the Cameroon.

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.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for April 3, 2016

Budget

\$6100.00

Weekend Offertory:

Collection \$7834.10

YTD excess or (**deficit**) (**\$2728.20**)

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners. Frs. Angelo and Ken

Jesus asks us, "Do you love me?" Show your love for Jesus in the way that you live.

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.



Our Annual Rummage Sale...will be May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. We are accepting all usable items except shoes, clothes and textbooks. So, all those knickknacks, old jewelry, working appliances, kitchen items, DVSs, CDs, videos and books that are looking for a new home are most welcome. One person's trash is another's treasures. Drop off dates for your

donations start next Sunday and continue each Sunday through May 1. Donations can be dropped off at Trinity Center, (use the door on the north side of the building). 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.

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet Wednesday evening April 20th at 6:00 p.m. in the parish office building.

Dates to Put on Your Calendar

May 7 – Rummage Sale and Plant Sale May 23 – Trinity Sunday Celebration – Mass and Parish Picnic June 4 – Trivia Night – Trinity Center June 13-17 – Vacation Bible School

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for April 3, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Collection				
	\$6842.00				
Charity:	\$ 113.00				
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Frs. Angelo and Ken					

Join us for Coffee and Donuts following the 10:00 Mass today 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 Greg Marcus	Alex McGarvey	Devin Torre



"Never let anything so fill you with sorrow as to make you forget for one moment the joy of Christ risen."

-Mother Teresa

AREA ACTIVITIES

Catholic Charities USA Leader Coming to Dayton

Sister Donna Markham, OP, PhD, the President and CEO of Catholic Charities USA, will be the keynote speaker at Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley's Annual Leadership Luncheon on Wednesday, April 27. Tickets for the luncheon, which will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Schuster Center in downtown Dayton, are \$25 per person. Reservations can be made online at <u>cssmv.org/leadership</u> or by calling (937) 223-7217 ext. 1141.

NAIM is a religious and social organization for Catholic widows and widowers. The next meeting will be April 11, 7:00 pm at St. Henry parish hall, 5000 Burkhardt Rd., Riverside. For further information please Contact Bob Zimmer 429-3665 or Sunny Hickey 433-1437.

IME Event at Immaculate Conception Parish

2300 S. Smithville Road Dayton, Monsigor Sherman Hall - lower level of the church.

Firm in Faith & Growing in Charity: A Study of the Letters to the Thessalonians

Presented by: Fr. Satish Joseph Wednesday, April 20, 2016 7:00 pm

