

# Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

July 24, 2016

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

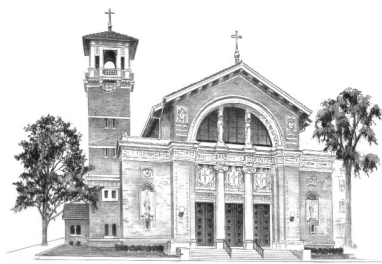
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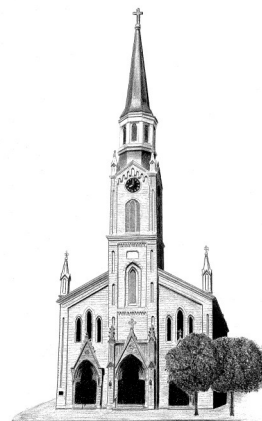
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, July 25

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Garry Buschur  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Poor Souls

#### Tuesday, July 26

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Edith Heiser  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Fabian Diorio

#### Wednesday, July 27

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Henry & Gertrude Klingert  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mike McKittrick

#### Thursday, July 28

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Brandy Brinkman  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Rib Sano

#### Friday, July 29

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John, Alice & Tim Duffy  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Wilfred Ruschau

#### Saturday, July 30

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Catherine Lauria  
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Evelyn McCarthy  
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Joseph Wiles Jr  
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....Christopher Penno

#### Sunday, July 31

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Rosella Gast  
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners  
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners  
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

#### Next Week's Readings:

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

### 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

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Dennis Pyles, Maintenance

Gary Geisel, Music Director

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**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

Three men were discussing the best way to pray. One man said: "The best way to pray is in church. The second said: "I pray best standing with my arms outstretched." The third man said: "I think the best way to pray is kneeling." Overhearing their conversation, an electrician said: "For what it's worth guys, the best praying I ever did was hanging from a telephone pole during an electric storm."

The last several weeks we have been journeying with Jesus as he goes up to Jerusalem. We heard the story of the Good Samaritan and the message that you cannot love God without loving your neighbor. Last week we heard of the importance of being attentive to Jesus in the story of Martha and Mary. Along this journey Jesus is forming his disciple to understand more clearly what it means to love God. Today the focus is on Prayer. Both the first reading and the gospel draw our attention to the importance of prayer and more specifically, to be persistent in prayer.

A key component of any relationship is communication. Prayer is our communication with God. Prayer can take many forms, like the liturgical prayer of the Mass, devotional prayer like the rosary, meditative and contemplative prayer. Prayer can be expressed in music, art, dance and it can be experienced at church, in nature or at home.

In the first reading we see Abraham in a conversation with God. It seems like an unusual conversation; Abraham is bargaining with God in the way a merchant and a customer haggle in the market place over the price of some article. The beautiful message we receive in this exchange is about the mercy of God. God is so amazing that He is willing to be merciful to a whole population found in two cities for the sake of a few innocent people. This is a beautiful story about God whose mercy goes beyond what we could imagine.

We are also given an image of prayer that is important for us to ponder. In his prayer, his communication with God, Abraham is very honest and persistent. He is not trying to sugar coat the situation. He knows how bad Sodom and Gomorrah are...and yet he still speaks out on behalf of the people. Is there anything or anyone that we feel like giving up on? Some situation that we believe is hopeless? Be persistent in prayer...do not give up! God is listening!

In the Gospel we see Jesus teaching the disciples about their dependence upon God and how prayer reminds us that we need God. Luke's account of the "Our Father" prayer is very communal, we hear..."Give us each day...Forgive us our sins...subject us not to the trial." Every time we pray this prayer at Mass we are seeking to be faithful and persistent, bringing our lives as they are before the Lord.

The daily bread we receive today and each time we come to the Eucharist is the Body of Christ given for our life and the life of the world. We come with our daily hungers to be filled, our worries to be lightened, our fears to be calmed, and most especially our sins to be forgiven. St. Paul reminds us of this gift when he states: "our transgressions have been nailed to the cross, they are forgiven!"

## PASTOR'S PEN continued...

And so in faith we gather today taking to heart the instruction of Jesus: "Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." We don't just ask once...we are persistent and honest in our prayer, presenting whatever we are feeling, pouring out our hearts so that they can be filled with the wisdom, understanding, knowledge, right judgment, courage...all the gifts of the Spirit needed to place our trust in God, remembering once again that we must abide in God's time and not ours and that with God all things are possible.

## PASTORAL REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Please Pray for an End to Violence

The blood of Abel continues to cry out from the ground in acts of violence and hatred today. Let us join our prayers as one and pray for an end to violence and hatred.

God of life, Source of hope,  
the violence within our world,  
our communities, our families,  
indeed our very selves  
is destroying Your creation.

Make still the restless spirit within me  
that is self-seeking.

Stir within my heart a renewed spirit of  
reverence, respect, and reconciliation.

In union with the Precious Blood of Jesus  
give me strength to break  
the cycle of violence  
by realizing that peace begins with me.

Amen.

### Saints in Mercy series:

St. Tère   of Lisieux (1873-1897) She wrote her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, to share with others her reflections upon the mercies of the Lord. She notes what a joy it is to think that God is Just, that He takes into account our weakness and is perfectly aware of our fragile nature and so, we should not fear.

St. Tère   says, "God is moved to show mercy just as a parent is moved by the presence of a child who has fallen." A parent does not hold back but responds in loving mercy. Writing to a missionary priest who was fearful of God's Judgment Tère   replied: "I know one must be very pure to appear before the God of all Holiness, but I know too, that the Lord is infinitely just; and it is this justice which frightens so many souls that is the object of my joy and confidence....I expect as much from God's justice as from His mercy. It is because he is just that He is compassionate and filled with gentleness, slow to punish, and abundant in mercy, for He knows our frailty, He remembers we are only dust. As a father has tenderness for his children, so the Lord has compassion on us (Ps 103). This is, Brother, what I think of God's justice; my way is all confidence and love. I do not understand souls who fear a Friend so tender. (Letter 226)

### Calling Nurses Interested in Health Ministry

If you are a registered nurse and find you have an interest in Health Ministry, would you like to learn how to integrate spirituality into your current nursing practice or learn skills to deliver whole-person care...body, mind, spirit, then check out the Faith Community Nurse course sponsored by Good Samaritan Hospital this fall. Class dates are Sept. 30 and Oct. 4-7. Earn up to 35 hours of continuing education. Generous scholarship funds are available for nurses from Region 7. Contact Sharon Becker at 227-9452 for more information.

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for July 17, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7385.00	\$6049.93
YTD excess or (deficit) ( <b>\$1530.94</b> )		
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 672.21	

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.

Patrick McDonald

Matthew Ryan

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** is the starting point.... In 8 compelling videos, Jeff Cavins presents the story of salvation history from Creation and the Fall through the coming of Christ and the establishment of the Church. Even those familiar with the Bible can learn additional information to grow their Catholic faith. The cost to the first 40 registrants will only be \$5.00 by August 15th. Please see flyers in the back of Church.

**World Youth Day...** Today, three Emmanuel parishioners will fly from Chicago to Krakow, Poland to participate in World Youth Day. They include: Marie Severyn, Jenny Watercutter, and Catherine Watercutter. Please pray for a safe journey and inspiring trip for these young people.

### Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Are you ready to become a member of the Catholic Church? Or would like some information about the process. Or maybe you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic. Emmanuel Parish will offer RCIA classes beginning in the fall. There are cards by the bulletins in the back of church--please take one and pass it on. For more information, please contact Brother Matt at [brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com](mailto:brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com)

### A Day of Reflection

Father David Endres, professor and academic dean of Mount St. Mary's Seminary will lead a Day of Reflection on Saturday August 6 at Emmanuel Catholic Church school. Father will be presenting Sacraments of Initiation: How We Can Live Out Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The cost is \$15.00 per person or 2 for \$25.00. The day begins 8:30am and concludes at 3:00pm. Mass and Confession will be available. Flyers are available in the back of the church or contact Susie or Charlie Gross at 937-890-6262. Need registration by July 25.

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for July 17, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$5887.54
YTD excess or (deficit)	<b>\$2638.85</b>	

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

*"Ask and you shall receive;  
seek and you shall find,  
knock and it shall be opened to you."  
Believe and act on Jesus' promise.  
Pray for wisdom to discern God's will.*

**Welcome** to our newly registered parishioner Rebecca Swanson. It is good to have you with us!

**Holiday Bazaar** – Preparations have begun! The date: Saturday, November 5, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. The prizes for the raffle have been chosen. The chairpersons are in place and now onto **CRAFT EVENINGS!** Our first gathering will be Monday, August 15, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Trinity Center Kitchen. Everyone is welcome to come and help out. If you have any project you feel would be saleable that we could make, please bring them with you on the 22nd.

**Mark This Date On Your Calendar!** The Ways and Means Commission will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 21 after the Masses. It will be a great time to get together and enjoy each others company and an ice cream sundae.

### It's Not Too Soon To Be Thinking About The RCIA Program!

Do you or someone you know want to investigate full membership in the Catholic Church? Classes begin in the fall. Please call the parish office with any questions you might have or to register for these informative sessions. No pressure, no commitment necessary...just join us to inquire about the faith in a fun, educational atmosphere where doctrine and practice can be clarified by a trained catechist and all questions are welcome.

### Updating Parishioner Database

We are in the process of updating parishioners' information in our database. If you have changed phone numbers, your children have moved out on their own, you now have an email address, or your marital status has changed, please call Judi at 228-1223 with the corrected information.

**If you have been attending Holy Trinity on a regular basis and would like to register,** we encourage you to fill out a registration form found on the bookshelf at the back of church and drop it in the collection basket. Or you can just call Judi at the parish office.

### WELLNESS TIP:

**Body:** Take a stress reduction class.

**Mind:** Try aromatherapy for relaxation.

**Spirit:** Enlighten your faith, learn a new prayer.

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for July 17, 2016

Weekend Offertory: Collection  
 \$5503.00  
 Charity: \$ 361.00  
 Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.  
 Frs. Angelo and Ken

**We'll be using a new offertory envelope company** next year so this is a great time to update our parish database. If you have a new address or phone number please call the rectory and let us know 228-9272. Thank You!

### Are you getting your estate in order?

If so, please remember St. Joseph Church. It is through the generosity of individuals like yourself who name St. Joseph in their will that the parish continues to thrive and will do so for many years to come.

**Have you registered?** If you attend Mass at St. Joe's but have never registered as a member of the parish, please consider doing so. It's easy...just call the rectory at 228-9272.

### Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

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

Bill Batin	Joe Franchina	Jim Peacock
Rita Downs	William Meikle	

## AREA ACTIVITIES

**Dayton Area Catholic Young Adults** is hosting a barbeque for those in their 20s and 30s on Sunday, August 21 from 2-4pm at Island Metro Park. All young adults are invited. There will be Frisbee, cornhole and any other games/sports you bring. Cost is a free will offering. You don't have to RSVP but it helps us to know how much food to buy. Contact Andrea Parker at 937.223.1001 or [aparker@CatholicCincinnati.org](mailto:aparker@CatholicCincinnati.org) for more information and to RSVP. Bring a snack to share. Bring your friends! Co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and several Dayton area parishes.

**Our Lady of Fatima Gathering**--August 12, 2016 at 7:30pm at The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein. Mass, candle light Rosary with candle light procession around the grounds. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. Visit: [www.spiritualcenter.net](http://www.spiritualcenter.net) for further information.

**Christ Child Society of Dayton** has served the Dayton community for over 100 years. New members are now being accepted. If you are interested in joining please call Sherry Brown at 433-5811.

**Dayton Celtic Festival July 29-31** at RiverScape MetroPark, A special Gaelic Mass, celebrated in both English and Gaelic, will be offered on Sunday, July 31, at 10:00 a.m. at the United Irish of Dayton Stage in the new Five Rivers MetroParks Pavilion. A Celtic Breakfast will be available from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday. Visit [www.daytoncelticfestival.com](http://www.daytoncelticfestival.com).

### LOOK AROUND YOU

*To see the world in a grain of sand  
 and a heaven in a wildflower,  
 hold infinity in the palm of your hand  
 and eternity in an hour.  
 —William Blake*



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