

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

August 21, 2016

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

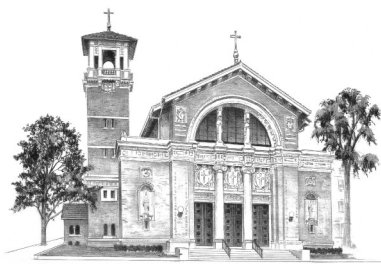
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S.

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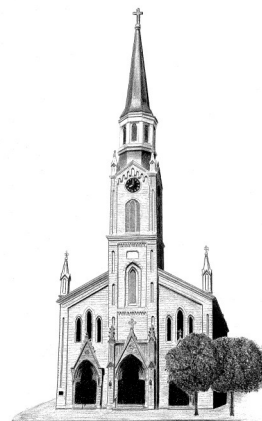
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 22

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Andrew Chiovaro
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Fr. William Dineen C.P.P.S.

Tuesday, August 23

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....James Fares
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Don Zimmerman

Wednesday, August 24

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John, Alice & Tim Duffy
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Sr. Ann of the Angels

Thursday, August 25

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Nolan Gray
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Leroy Dieringer

Friday, August 26

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....George Muckenthaler
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Jerry Westendorf

Saturday, August 27

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Sheryl Hutchinson
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Tom Kain
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Sunday, August 28

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Fr. William Dineen C.P.P.S.
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....William Bond & family
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Irma Figueroa

Next Week's Readings:

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a;
Lk 14:1, 7-14

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

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Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager

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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

With the summer Olympics coming to a close in Rio I have been thinking about the many athletes who began their journey to Rio some four years ago. This journey involved much more than purchasing an airline ticket and flying to Brazil. It involved a commitment, determination, a willingness to make sacrifices, openness to pain, a willingness to fail, openness to growth and a firm plan of action. The same can be said for our journey of faith. The sacrament of baptism opens the door for the gift of eternal life but it is not our free ticket to heaven. Making the journey to heaven demands the same qualities that are found in the lives of the Olympic athletes.

Luke's Gospel says that Jesus was making his way to Jerusalem. He knew where he was going and what the cost of this journey would mean...suffering and death. Jesus could have gone into hiding or just sat along the side-lines of life but that was not what he was sent to do. In the same way, we must be clear about our call and where we are going in life. When Alice, from Alice in Wonderland, was at a crossroad she had a conversation with the cat which basically said, "If you don't know where you are going any road will take you there." If our destination in the journey of life is not heaven then we will find ourselves wandering aimlessly throughout life. If we claim heaven and eternal life with God as the true desire of our heart then we must be willing to make sacrifices, to be open to the cross, to be committed and determined to following Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

When Jesus was asked to identify how many will be saved, he responds by saying "try to come in through the narrow gate." In doing so Jesus is putting the responsibility back on the individual, on each of us to write our own story. The gate is narrow not to exclude people; the gate is narrow because you don't need a lot of stuff to enter the Kingdom of God.



Jesus is asking us to stop and think about how we are living our life. Do I spend a lot of time and energy building up my possessions? In reality, none of them will fit through the narrow gate. Do I carry a grudge or hold resentment over a past hurt? Holding another person in un-forgiveness will keep me from passing through the narrow gate because I'm not following the instructions of the Our Father prayer to forgive those who trespass against us. Is my schedule so full that I don't have time to pray so in the end I won't even be able to find the narrow gate? Could the reality of aging and the loss of independence and freedom lead me to doubt and fear that maybe there isn't even a gate to pass through?

The key to the narrow gate is found in the life of Jesus. Jesus reached out in love to the poor, the forgotten and to the sinner. When we are able to reach out in love to someone else we are letting go of self and can easily pass through the narrow gate. The gate is open for us. We can choose to accept the gift of salvation by walking with Christ or we can reject the gift by what we say or do or by what we fail to do. The choice to receive the gift of salvation is up to us and we may even be surprised as to who we will see in heaven. Someone described this encounter with a humorous poem.

PASTOR'S PEN continued...

I dreamt death came the other night
And heaven's gate sung wide.
An angel with halo bright
Ushered me inside
And there, to my astonishment
Stood folks I'd judged and labeled
As quite unfit, of little worth
And spiritually disabled.
Indignant words came to my lips
But never were set free
For every face showed stunned surprise.
Not one expected me!

PASTORAL REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Civilize It: Faithful Citizenship in the Year of Mercy

The question "How do we live in the Year of Mercy when it's an election year?" is one to which the Civilize It Movement can offer an answer.

Civilize It is a non-partisan response developed in the Archdiocese and designed to guide Catholics on how they can be civil and engaged during this election year while responding to Jesus' call to love our neighbor. The presentation will look at how the Church forms its conscience through Scripture and Church teaching as articulated in the U.S. bishops' statement, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship. It will strengthen Catholics to call for more civility, clarity and compassion in electoral politics and from each other.

The Catholic Social Action and Family and Respect Life Offices will be offering the Civilize It: Faithful Citizenship in the Year of Mercy presentation at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, in the St. Pope John Paul II Room Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 7-9 p.m. This is a free presentation. For more information call Pam Long, regional director of the Catholic Social Action Office Dayton at 937-224-3026 ext. 5018 or email plong@catholiccincinnati.org.

Mark Your Calendar—Our next picnic for the parishes of the Downtown Dayton Pastoral Region will be on Sunday, September 18th from noon until 3:00pm in the cafeteria of Chaminade Julianne High School. Please contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer to help.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Divorce Support Ministry

If you are a Catholic who is newly divorced or separated, you may be going through a very difficult time right now. Your Church is here to offer the support and ministry you need and deserve. There are two excellent Catholic-Sponsored divorce-recovery support groups in the local area to help men and women heal from this life trauma. Both groups feature nationally recognized experts on divorce through professional video input and small group discussions.

Catholic-Sponsored Divorcecare

13 weeks, held on Thursday evenings, 7-9PM from Sept. 8 to Dec. 8 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245

Wilmington Pike, Centerville. Cost: is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available. To register, call Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 or mtoma@woh.rr.com

Catholic Divorce Survival Guide

12 weeks, held on Monday evenings, 7-8:30PM from Aug. 29 to Nov. 21 in the "Candle Room" of St. Christopher's Church in Vandalia. Cost: is \$25 per person. Register Online at: secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=670e37 - Questions: Call Noreen Wendeln at Family & Respect Life Office (937) 222-0227

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for August 14, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7385.00	\$6148.03
YTD excess or (deficit)	(\$5738.57)	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$863.11	

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.

Joan Hicks

Patrick McDonald

Religious Education Open House

Emmanuel Parish will have an open house TODAY (Sunday) after the 10:30 Mass. Please come and register your children for the parish CCD program and meet our teachers, find out about our RCIA program for people who want to join the church, and learn about this fall's Bible study program for adults on the Prophets Messengers of God's Mercy. There will be coffee and donuts, so come down and learn about our educational programs!

Emmanuel Parish CCD program

Our parish CCD program begins Saturday, September 10th. Classes are from 9:30 to 11:00. We have classes for children in kindergarten through 8th grade. If you would like your 2nd grader to receive the sacraments of First Penance and First Communion this coming year, you must notify the parish by completing a CCD registration form.

We will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation next April. If you would like your 7th or 8th grader to be confirmed, they must attend confirmation preparation either with the Saturday CCD class or the home school co-op program. If you have any questions about religious education or sacraments, contact Brother Matt at brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com.

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

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for August 14, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$3403.00
YTD excess or (deficit)	(\$2683.85)	

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*Will you help gather people
to be a part of the reign of God?
Pray to be open if God calls you
to serve as a priest, deacon, brother,
sister or lay minister.*

Craft Evenings! Our first gathering will be Monday, August 22, 4-7:30 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.

Ice Cream Social

Please join with us on the lawn for fellowship and an ice cream today. We would especially enjoy meeting our new parishioners and getting to know them. Everyone is invited to come on over and enjoy some fellowship and ice cream before heading home today.

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.

Welcome to our newly registered parishioners, Mike and Margo Merz. We are pleased to have you in our parish family.

WELLNESS TIP:

Body: Improve higher brain functions by engaging in aerobic activity.

Mind: Make a to-do list and prioritize.

Spirit: Hug someone.

Crayons for Classrooms

Next Sunday is the last day to bring in your donations of school supplies. Needed items are: pencils, folders, pens, scissors, crayons, rulers, glue, copy paper, filler paper, notebooks, construction paper and facial tissues.

LIVE TODAY WELL

*Today well lived makes every
yesterday a dream of happiness and
tomorrow a vision of hope.*
—Kalidasa

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for August 14, 2016

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$5638.00
Charity: \$ 347.00
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Charity donations...you may be interested in knowing how your donations to the charity collection, taken up at the back of church each week, are used. We partnered with Catholic Social Services (CSS) a couple years ago to established a program called Neighbors Helping Neighbors. CSS' focus is on family stabilization i.e., looking at the family overall and then identifying the services available to assist them through their programs and in the community. We help in providing assistance with utility bills. Holy Trinity parish is also a partner in this program. We also support the Emmanuel St. Vincent de Paul group each month.

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. When you no longer need the receiver just give it back to an usher.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Nick Borton	Cody Landers	Matthew Melvin
Michelle Brown	Greg Marcus	Alex McGarvey
Gary Eilers	Tim Melvin	David Musgrove
Kari Mechenbier Eubanks		Jessica Pruitt
		Devin Torre

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

Candace Ayers	Bill Batin	Rita Downs
William Meikle	Kathy Buschur	Joe Franchina
Jim Peacock	Lance Butler	Jennifer Grant
Don Zimmerman		

AREA ACTIVITIES

The Original Image of Divine Mercy - August 29 or August 31 at 7:00pm. St. Luke Parish, Beavercreek (Kramer Hall) is hosting an official screening of the film that traces the original image that St. Faustina oversaw. The film trailer can be viewed at www.divinemercyfilm.com. No cost to attend, but please RSVP (name and number attending) to Tom at (937)426-1733 ext. 01 or Lisa at aramnlisa@aol.com

Volunteers Needed at CSSMV Food Pantry

Catholic Social Services' Choice Food Pantry at 922 W. Riverview Avenue in Dayton is in need of volunteers on weekday mornings—especially during pantry service hours of 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. This is a good opportunity for both groups and individuals, and can be a one-time or ongoing volunteer activity. A volunteer "handyperson" is also wanted, to assist on an as-needed basis. For more information, please call (937) 223-7217 ext. 1146.

Dayton Right to Life is looking for ten Pro-life Mothers interested in mentoring young moms with a toddler. There will be a 2 hour training session on September 1 from 6:30-8:30pm at 425 N. Findlay St., Dayton. (In the Life Enrichment Center Building. "Toddlers of Teens" mentoring program runs every Thursday - September 8 - November 9 - 6:30-8:30pm. Please contact Chris Condit, mentor coordinator at 937-790-0568 or email at cmcondit@woh.rr.com.

Elizabeth's New Life Center's Baby Boutique is Low on Supplies...Items currently needed: baby monitors, bath tubs, boppy pillows, diaper bags, safety gates, umbrella strollers and pack-n-plays. Items can be dropped off at our Boutique at 614 Five Oaks Ave, Dayton, OH 45406 on Wednesday's from 3-5 p.m. or on Saturday's from 10-12:00 p.m., or you can call 937-226-7414 Monday thru Friday to arrange a special drop off time. We and the families we serve thank you for your support!



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