

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

November 27, 2016

1st Sunday of Advent

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

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

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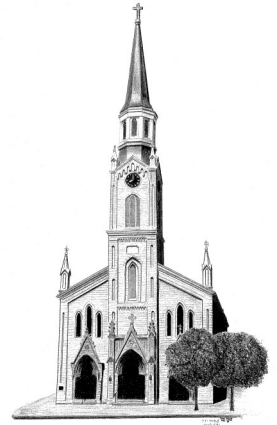
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Ruth Lauber
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Josephine Wegerzyn

Tuesday, November 29

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Edith Heiser
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Deceased members of John &
Ellie Healy and family

Wednesday, November 30

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John & Estelle Braun
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Florence & Russell Donauer

Thursday, December 1

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Unborn children & their parents
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Claude Sacksteder

Friday, December 2

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Pete Baldwin
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Wilfred Raushau

Saturday, December 3

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Effie Minham
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Juan & Twinlito Piedraverde
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Edward Griffin
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Sunday, December 4

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Harold & Wanda Brinkman
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Victor M. Figueroa

Next Week's Readings:

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

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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Deacon Michael Leo

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

I remember my first trip hiking in the Appalachian Mountains. As we went along the rocky trail you had to watch your footing and be prepared to adjust your step when an obstacle came your way. When we reached the summit and looked out over the deep valley and mountain range you just stood in awe of the beautiful sight. I could see why scripture looked upon a mountaintop as a dwelling place for God.

On this First Sunday of Advent the Prophet Isaiah invites us to "climb the mountain of the Lord" so that He can instruct us and guide us along the right path. We are invited to hold before our eyes the vision of a world where swords are turned into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. In the time of Isaiah there was a lot of conflict and danger. The Assyrians had taken over the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the people of God were losing hope. Isaiah offered them and us a message of hope!

As we journey with the Lord in this Advent season we do not need to add anything more to an already busy schedule. Like my hike along the Appalachian trail our call is to be watchful and attentive to the challenges that cross our path as well as an open eye for the hand of God at work in our lives. The season of Advent is not only preparing us to celebrate the gift of Christ's birth but it is also a time for us to be prepare for the coming of Christ in glory.

During this Advent season we can "beat our swords into plowshares" by:

- ♦ Removing demeaning speech or harsh words of criticism from our conversations;
- ♦ Steering clear of violent video games, movies and shows;
- ♦ Praying and working for peace within families and between the family of nations;
- ♦ Encouraging children and grandchildren to be peacemakers;
- ♦ Supporting individuals and groups offering outreach to the poor or lost;
- ♦ Learning how to listen deeply before we speak.

The season of Advent reminds us of the things we already know and puts them back into perspective. All too often we go through life like sleep-walkers, going through the motions but not really engaged in living our faith boldly. As St. Paul reminds us, "We are to put on the Lord Jesus Christ" allow Him to live in and through us.

We begin our new liturgical year with the season of Advent, walking once more with our ancestors in faith who longed and yearned for the coming Messiah. Like them we are to keep watch and stay awake for the Kingdom of God is being revealed in our midst. Don't miss it!



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REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Wreath Blessing *(From USCCB)*

Lord our God,
we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ:
he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples,
he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us,
he is the Savior of every nation.
Lord God,
let your blessing come upon us
as we light the candles of this wreath.
May the wreath and its light
be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.
May he come quickly and not delay.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mark Your Calendar! A Service of Lessons and Carols will be celebrated on Sunday, **December 11th** at 2:00 p.m. at **St. Joseph Church**, Dayton. In this service, we listen to nine Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or other song that reflects upon the lesson's message and a brief prayer.

The Knights of Columbus Dayton Council 500 would like to thank everyone for their prior support of the **"Keep Christ in Christmas"** program. This year they have another great selection of cards and Christmas items. You can see the display at the back of church. Use the envelopes provided to return your order form and payment. Payment must be returned by November 27, 2016. Please make your check payable to: Dayton Council 500 Knights of Columbus.

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**! Your generous gifts will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Help Wanted: Our St. Vincent de Paul conference is in need of volunteers to answer our helpline. Call takers work from home on their own schedule. Training is provided. If you have questions or are interested, please call Eileen at 376-9035.

Marriage Uncorked! Dare to Date! The Marriage Ministry of Region 7 parishes invites married & engaged couples to join us for a Christmas party on Saturday, December 10th in the basement of Emmanuel Church from 7-9:00 pm. Bring an appetizer or sweet to share, as well as a \$5 gift for stealing, that is, exchanging. We will provide the wine and festivities. Babysitting is not available for this month's event, but will return for January 14th. Come and enjoy a date night out with wine, food and fellowship. Together let's celebrate the gift of our marriage!

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for November 20, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7385.00	\$7353.00

YTD excess or (deficit): **(\$19,740.00)**

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 817.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$650.30

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

Louis Schulze

Christmas Giving Tree Project

Emmanuel SVDP conference invites parishioners to take an ornament from the Giving Tree in the church vestibule beginning **November 26/27**. The ornaments list gift ideas to help the needy at the St. Vincent de Paul shelter on Apple Street. Gifts should be returned **unwrapped** in a Christmas bag to **155 Franklin Street** before or after Mass on **December 10th / 11th**.

The Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee is selling Catholic Nativity Cards after the Vigil and Sunday Masses from now until Christmas. They will be available in front of church or in the vestibule depending upon weather. Cards are still \$5 for a box of 10 cards and envelopes. Proceeds from this sale will benefit the 10 sponsored youth attendees to the March For Life in January 2017.

The Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee is sponsoring up to 10 youth attendees to the January March For Life in Washington, D.C. again this year. The financial support is \$100 per person. This is open to the youth of the Region 7 churches. If you are interested in this support, your parents may contact us by e-mail to jackroach3@gmail.com.

Coming Bible Study in January 2017

Paul's letter to the Galatians speaks directly to the heart of Christians and addresses the most important question we can ask: "What must we do to be saved?" This is a very timely topic as we just finished the liturgical year-end readings concerning the future to come. Keep reading the bulletins or check out the flyers in back of Church for more details.

Food 4 Thought December 4th:

Father Thomas Thompson will present Advent Mirth and Music. Many of us know Father Thompson from Thursday morning Mass and also as a speaker at a Valentine's Day dinner for Father Lee several years ago. Please RSVP to Susie or Charlie Gross at 937-890-6262; charlie@ferndaleconsulting.com or susie@susiegross.com

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for November 20, 2016

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$4202.00

YTD excess or (deficit): **(\$9499.61)**

Campaign for Human Development: \$1212.56

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Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles!

19th Annual Breakfast with Santa at Holy Trinity

Sunday, December 4, 2016, 9:30 a.m. in Trinity Center

Ages 3 through adult - \$9.00; Age 2 and under - \$3.00

There will be a full breakfast for all and fun for the kids, as well as a visit with Santa. Doors open at 9:15

Tuesday, November 29 is the last day to purchase tickets.

Holiday Help a Family - Thanks to all who responded to our plea to be "Secret Santa". All wishes will be fulfilled.

Reverse Advent Calendar: This year we are going to try something different for our Advent Almsgiving. We are inviting parishioners to choose a container and each day add a personal care item to the box. During Christmas week the containers and contents will be donated to the at risk teens at Daybreak Center. Here are some suggested items: shaving cream, after shave lotion, disposable razors, body lotion, hand lotion, tooth paste, tooth brushes, hair brush, comb, deodorant, lip balm, shower gel, soap, hair spray, mousse, socks, facial tissues, emery boards, manicure set and gloves.

Our Advent Giving Tree is in place in the sanctuary. If you would like to pay a visit, send a card or contact one of our elderly parishioners, please remove an ornament from the tree. Let them know they are appreciated for who they are and all they have done for our parish.

Warm Gloves are being accepted for distribution at our Project Blessing luncheon on **December 14** when Holy Trinity hosts the lunch. If you would like to help, please call Ron Bird to offer your services – 253-2344. Containers will be in the back of church to accept your gloves. Holy Trinity will be hosting the lunch on the 14th, so additional help will be needed. We are calling on all cookie bakers in the parish to make an extra batch to serve as dessert. They can be dropped off Monday or Tuesday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday before 10:00 a.m. Thanks!

Sanctuary Flowers for the Christmas Season – In preparation for decorating for the holidays, offering for the flowers for our sanctuary will be graciously accepted in memory of a deceased loved one, in thanksgiving for prayers answered or just to give glory to God by making our worship space more beautiful. Simply place your offering along with the names of those you wish remembered in an envelope marked "flowers" and place it in the collection basket by December 18.

We welcome Lucy Mae Eckhart, baptized last Sunday at Holy Trinity. Congratulations to the proud parents, Sam and Liz.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for November 20, 2016

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$6389.00
Charity: \$ 665.00
Campaign for Human Development: \$1959.00
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Consider Joining The Christmas Choir...A Christmas Choir is being formed to sing for the 4:30PM Christmas Eve Mass. We are looking for all voice parts (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass). The choir will rehearse on Thursdays at 7PM starting Nov. 17 in the choir loft (no rehearsal on Thanksgiving, Nov. 24). Please consider serving your parish in this special way by helping provide extra beauty to the Christmas liturgy. If you are interested in joining, please see Brad in the choir loft after Mass, call 937-207-8976, or email wilson.bradley@live.com.

Offertory envelopes...we will be trying something new this year for our offertory envelopes. We are working with Our Sunday Visitor who will mail out envelopes every other month. So instead of getting one booklet at the beginning of the year you will be mailed envelopes every other month.

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

Lance Butler	Jennifer Grant	William Meikle
Contreras family	Marie Henry	Delores Schmid
Rita Downs		

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

Decorating the church for Christmas...we will decorate the church on Sunday, December 18th starting at 2:00. This is a fun activity the whole family can take part in. All help is welcome and appreciated.

Advent Giving Tree....We are working with Elizabeth New Life Center on our Giving Tree Project. ENLC assists women who find themselves in an unexpected pregnancy. If you would like to participate just take an ornament from the Giving Tree in the back of church, return the purchased item and place it on or under the Giving Tree table. The items should not be gift-wrapped, they are used to help those in need during the year. Please return items by Dec. 18th. Thank You!

Area Activities

UD is hosting "At the Manger" a display of nativity scenes from around the world beginning with an Open House on Saturday, November 26th from 1-5:00 PM at the UD Roesch Library. The exhibit will be open until Sunday, January 8, 2017.

Warm up your Christmas with gifts for your family and friends that also help families around the world lift themselves out of poverty. Shop at the Fair Trade and International Artisan Sale Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the University of Dayton's River Campus, 1700 S. Patterson Blvd., across from the Historic Carillon Park. Learn more thru the Catholic Social Action Office, 937-224-3026 or csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org.

The Dayton Catholic Women's Club invites you to its annual **Christmas Boutique & Luncheon** on Saturday, December 3, for 10 a.m. vendor shopping and 12:30 p.m. for \$30 lunch at the Miami Valley Golf Club, 3311 Salem Ave. Please call Carol Graham at 299-7063 for required reservations; deadline with payment is November 28, 2016. The DCWC's events support many charities; please ask family and friends to join you to do good works together in the name of Our Lady of Good Counsel.



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