

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

March 5, 2017

First Sunday in Lent

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, March 6

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....James E. Cannon
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Gene Austin

Tuesday, March 7

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Jerry Schenking
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Stephen Sichman

Wednesday, March 8

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living and deceased members
of the Monnin Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Paul Creager

Thursday, March 9

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living and deceased members
of the Muckenthaler Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....James Bauer

Friday, March 10

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Elsie Faris
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Kathleen Caulfield

Saturday, March 11

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Most Forgotten Souls
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Jim Pettit
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Ed Caulfield
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....George Muchenthaler

Sunday, March 12

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Dolly Dunigan
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:

Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

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

Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary

Dennis Pyles, Maintenance

Gary Geisel, Music Director

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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

Matthew's gospel tells us that Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert wilderness for 40 days of fasting and prayer. Matthew states the obvious, Jesus is hungry. At this point the devil enters the scene and begins to tempt Jesus with bread. Talk about hitting a guy when he is down! But, that is what the devil is good at; he tries to find our weaknesses, the crack in our armor that will break us down.

Maybe none of us have ever wandered in the desert for forty days, but we have all had desert times in our life...a time when you felt lost, empty, unfulfilled, disconnected from God. Maybe your pain doesn't come from hunger but from being buried in debt, or experiencing a tough time in the family or at work. At these times, Satan comes with the perfect plan... he says "You can stop your suffering...if it feels good do it." Find solace on the internet, feed an addiction, have an affair, cheat on your taxes...by all means do whatever you need to stop the pain, the emptiness, the fear. On the other hand God says: "Trust in me."

The next temptation Satan uses on Jesus emphasizes the need to "look out for number one." If Jesus had stood atop the temple and thrown himself off, he might have proven to a few that he was the Messiah miracle worker but, Jesus was not concerned with performing miracles or receiving our praise. He wanted to save us from sin and death and to do this meant staying in tune with His Father's Will.

The final temptation Satan uses is a call to "live only for the moment." Taking Jesus to a high mountain the devil says he will give Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, "if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." To live only for the moment makes temporary things more important than eternal things. In this sin, Satan was appealing to Jesus' sense of compassion. Satan was offering to remove his own power of evil from those select kingdoms of the world. But this was only a temporary fix. Sin and death could only be defeated by Christ's unconditional love as he gave his life for the salvation of the whole world. Keep your eye on the things of heaven. Don't just live for a moment.

Just as Jesus was tempted; so too we will be tempted. It is a part of life this side of heaven. Our best defense in the face of temptation is to live in Truth--to turn away from the lies in our lives and to reclaim our identity as sons and daughters of God. When we remember who we are and whose we are, we can be sure, in the end, the devil will not stand a chance.



The Lenten season is a time for us to examine our lives and consider how we might return to the Lord. Returning to the Lord includes seeking God's forgiveness and mercy through the Sacrament of

Reconciliation. Once again, parishes of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will participate in the initiative, "The Light Is On for You," providing a diocesan-wide opportunity to go to confession on a single evening. Priests will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation by offering private confessions on Tuesday, March 14 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. Most parish churches (or pastoral regions) will have their doors open for you. Learn more at: www.lightison4u.org.

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Best Lent Ever...We all know the things that make us happy, but we don't always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year you are invited to do something different. Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Lent Ever, a free email program featuring bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, you'll get short, inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly and personal reflections from Dynamic Catholic team members that will help you identify what stands between you and happiness and what to do about it. Sign-up online at: BestLentEver.com.



Lenten Mission March 27-29, 2017

"The Identity of Mary and Our Christian Life." This year's parish mission will be given by Fr. Emmanuel Fale who is completing his PhD studies in Scripture and Mariology. Fr. Emmanuel will offer us a picture of Mary from Scriptures: Old and New Testaments, plus the four Marian dogmas: Perpetual Virginity, Theotokos, Immaculate Conception and Assumption. The theme of the mission will be: "To know Mary is to know Jesus, and knowing them both enhances our Christian life. A Christian life modeled on Mary will be a life of purity, love, and discipleship with all that these entail."

Difficult Conversations – Caring For Those We Love

Considering one's desires for end-of-life planning is hard to do. Some of the tools used to communicate our wishes include a Health Care Power of Attorney and/or a Living Will. The Region Seven Health Ministries Team is hosting an opportunity to learn more about these 'difficult choices and conversations' on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 2:30 pm at St. Joseph School. Sr. Carol Bauer, SC, Vice-President of Mission Effectiveness at Good Samaritan Hospital will provide insight on this topic and discuss the legal documents available in Ohio regarding end of life care. Forms will be available at the session along with volunteers to assist as you complete them (if desired) before you leave. Reservations are preferred by Monday, March 20th to Sharon Becker at 734-9452 or email: sharonbecker6@gmail.com.

Lenten Pilgrimage

Starting Point: The Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Plaza de las Américas, 1 Mexico City Mexico

The Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City is the most-visited Catholic shrine in the world. It was founded on the original site on Tepeyac Hill, where Juan Diego was instructed to build a church by Our Blessed Mother in 1591. In December 2014, Pope Francis praised Our Lady of Guadalupe as "a great missionary". "Through her intercession, the Christian faith has become the richest treasure of the soul of the Latin American people, whose precious pearl is Jesus Christ..." He further said the people have a consciousness of the dignity of the human person, a passion for justice and are in solidarity with the poor and suffering and in the virtue of hope.

Reflection: "Time and time again he bears us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity bestowed upon us by this boundless and unfailing love. "(11/24/13 no.3)

National Catholic Sisters Week is celebrated every year from March 8-14. Originally celebrated in 2013, this week is a time to honor the history of Catholic Sisters throughout the United States and to celebrate the good work they continue to do for both those inside and those outside the Church. Please visit www.nationalcatholicsistersweek.org.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has supported the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. For more information and to pledge online, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

	Goal	Pledged
Holy Trinity	\$13,638	\$ 5,171
Emmanuel	\$17,046	\$20,806
St. Joseph	\$16,441	\$11,302

Marriage Uncorked! Dare to Date! Married and engaged couples, join the Marriage Ministry on Saturday, March 11th in Emmanuel's Church basement from 7-9:00 pm. Episode four of Beloved, Finding Happiness in Marriage will be shown. Babysitting available, \$2 per child, RSVP to Anna Earl, anna.earl7@gmail.com. Bring an appetizer or sweet to share as we provide the wine, fun and festivities.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 26, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7300.00	\$6322.50
YTD excess or (deficit):	\$ 899.00	
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 702.50	

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

Prayer List

Bernard Chachula William Pfarrer

Weekly Stations of the Cross

Join us at 7:00 PM every Friday of Lent to pray the Stations of the Cross in Church.

Living Stations of the Cross

Emmanuel parish invites children and teens to participate in a special Lenten devotion, The Living Stations of the Cross, on Friday, March 31, at 7:00 p.m. This is a serious, dramatic re-enactment of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion by narration, meditation, acting, and song. Open to children, ages 8 and up. Rehearsals will be March 27 and 29. To participate contact Mary Izor by March 15 at 866-6032 or mizor39@hotmail.com.

Upcoming ENLC Banquet April 6th

Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee is sponsoring a table at the upcoming Elizabeth New Life Center's Banquet on Thursday, April 6th. Reservations are required and our Committee will be paying the dinner charge of \$25 per person for the first 10 folks who register. We are most interested in getting new folks to come, hear what ENLC is all about, their AWESOME message and what they are doing to help the Women of the Dayton area. For details please contact Charlie & Susie Gross @ 890-6262.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 26, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$4436.00
YTD excess or (deficit):	(\$6461.54)	

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Our almsgiving project for Lent will be Brigid's Path, a Newborn Recovery Center for drug exposed newborns.

The following are the items needed in their work:

Size 1 diapers
Wipes
Non-latex gloves
Baby bath
Baby lotion
Baby blankets
Avent soothie pacifiers
Clorox and Lysol wipes
Bins will be in the back of church to accept your donations.

Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Jerry Schenking, buried from Holy Trinity on Saturday, February 25. May he rest comfortably in Our Father's arms.

Welcome to our newly baptized Charlotte Grace, baptized last Sunday at Holy Trinity. Congratulations to the proud parents, John and Amanda Harrelson.

Boys and Girls, third grade thru high school, if you would like to help your parish by becoming an **Altar Server**, now is the time to sign up. Call the parish office and volunteer 228-1223. A training class will be held and then you will be assigned to serve at one of our weekend liturgies. Altar Servers learn about the Mass, how to assist the priests and deacons at the altar, and how to help the parish family pray together. The parish family appreciates your service and God blesses you as you serve at the altar.

Remember Them in Your Prayers

Please keep our elderly, sick and homebound in your prayers. Knowing that Trinitarians are praying for them means a lot. If you or a family member is going into the hospital, please call the parish offices and let us know. We are no longer informed by the hospitals of admissions.

Fish and Sausage Fry – Thanks to all who supported our Fish Fry either as a helper or participant last evening. You helped make our event another successful party at the parish.

Our Kroger Community Rewards check for the past quarter is \$375.93. If you are not currently enrolled in this program and you shop at Kroger, there are forms on the bookshelf at the back of church. We welcome your participation. Every little bit helps!

Planning ahead for summer activities? We will be attending the Dragon's game on Saturday, July 22 and you are welcome to join us. Tickets are \$12.00. You can reserve your ticket by calling the parish office.

Bible Study at 9:45 a.m. today in the parish office building. All are welcome.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 26, 2017

Weekend Offertory: Collection
 Charity: \$5509.50
 \$ 221.00
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Please join us for Stations of the Cross each Wednesday during Lent following the noon Mass.

Spend some time with the Lord this Lent... There will be Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays during Lent following the noon Mass until 4pm at St. Joe's. There will be short periods of group prayer every half hour followed by time for private meditation. You can sign up for a specific hour using the sheets in back of church or just drop by whenever you can for personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Call Bobby at 435-4858 with questions.



Save the Date... A potluck dinner is being planned March 18th to celebrate the feast of St. Joseph. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

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

Betty Criner	Jennifer Grant	Tony Riggs
Joe Franchina	Jim Peacock	Pauline Westendorf

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

Area Activities

Elizabeth's New Life Center is in need of medical professionals to volunteer in our Women's Centers. If you are an M.D., D.O., LPN, RN, Nurse practitioner, Physician's Assistant or RDMS please consider giving a few hours of your time weekly, bi-weekly or monthly to work with the underserved women in our community who may be at risk for abortion. Please email tmiller@elizabethnewlifecenter.org or call 937-226-7414 to talk about the possibilities!

The Sisters of the Precious Blood will host three Holy Hours for Peace and Unity in our Nation and our World during the Season of Lent. All are invited to join us from 6:30 – 7:30 pm on Monday, March 6, Tuesday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 29, at our Salem Heights Chapel, 4960 Salem Avenue (entrance off of Denlinger Road.)

Sisters of the Precious Blood Come and See Weekend. We invite you to learn about life as a Precious Blood Woman. Friday, March 10 at 5pm through Sunday, March 12, noon. Salem Heights, 4960 Salem Avenue. Contact Sr. Patty Kremer, CPPS at 937-609-0653 or vocations@cppsadmin.org.

The Dayton Catholic Women's Club St. Patrick's Day Card/ Game Party & Luncheon, Saturday, March 11, from 10-3p.m. The \$25 lunch of Grilled Chicken in Mediterranean Sauce or Baked Vegetarian Strudel will be served at noon at the Presidential Banquet Center, 4548 Presidential Way. Join friends and family members to play your favorite games in support of this fundraiser for the charitable work of DCWC. Please call Julianne McCain at 937-694-2176 or by March 6 to register.



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