

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

March 26, 2017

Fourth 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 27

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Battigaglia family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Juanita Kleibecker

Tuesday, March 28

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Antonia Mazzone
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Clara & Leroy Dieringer

Wednesday, March 29

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Lilly Zennie
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Fr. William Dineen C.P.P.S.

Thursday, March 30

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Dolores Payne
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Santina Tarlano

Friday, March 31

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Niehaus Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Eloiese Padilla

Saturday, April 1

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Nancy Valenzuela
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mike & Nancy Longo
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Ralph & Dorothy Grant
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Sunday, April 2

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

Next Week's Readings:

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

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

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Gary Geisel, Music Director

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Jan Reed, Pastoral Associate

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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

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent the Church celebrates "Laetare" Sunday. This designation comes from the Latin word for "Rejoice" which is the first word of our Entrance Antiphon for this Sunday. We are mid-way through our Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and alms giving. As we continue our Lenten journey the Church encourages us to be strengthened in our Lenten commitment to turn away from sin and to prepare our hearts to renew our Baptismal promises at Easter.

Last week we encountered Jesus with the woman at the well and heard how Jesus provides living water to quench our thirst in life. Today we hear of the curing of the man born blind and how Jesus moves us out of darkness and into light. There are many ways that we can be blind through bad habits, selfishness, stubbornness, cynicism or a failure to see how blest we really are by God. During this Lenten season, we are called to turn away from the darkness of sin and to live in the light of the Lord.

This is important because things are not always what they seem to be. I'm sure you have heard the proverb, "You can't judge a book by its cover." In our First Reading, we encounter Samuel, someone who does not judge by appearance but looks into the heart. Jesse felt sure that Samuel would be more interested in one of his older son's to be anointed king. Yet, God had chosen David, the youngest, to be the king.

In a similar way, the Pharisees were so sure that Jesus was not the Messiah that they made it their business to discredit Jesus with the hopes of getting rid of him. Because of their hardness of heart the Pharisees were not able to celebrate the healing miracle that the blind man received from Jesus. They lived in darkness, unable to see that Jesus was the true light of the world. It is His life and love that enables us to break out of the darkness of our lives.

The Light of Faith helps us to see with the eyes of goodness, justice and truth. With the Light of Faith, we can stand in the midst of suffering, confusion or doubt and say "God is here." This week ask yourself: "Where is the darkness in my life that keeps me from experiencing the Light of Christ?" "How is your life different when you see with the Light of Faith?"

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS



Lenten Mission March 27-29, 2017

"The Identity of Mary and Our Christian Life." This year's parish mission will be given in Emmanuel Church's basement at 7:00pm 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."

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

April Marriage Uncorked!

The couple that plays together stays together! The Marriage Ministry of Region 7 parishes invites you and your spouse to join us for a Couples' Minute to Win It game night on April 8th in the basement of Emmanuel Church from 6:30-9:00 pm. Decide on a team name, then come ready to face off with other couples in what is sure to be a memorable, laughter-filled event! On the second Saturday of each month we alternate between a social event and a formational event designed for fun and the enrichment of your marriage. Dare to date with wine, food and fellowship. Together let's celebrate the gift of our marriage. Bring an appetizer or sweet to share. We will provide the wine and festivities! Babysitting is available for \$2 per child. Please register yourselves and any children you might like to bring for babysitting by Wednesday, April 5th to Anna Earl anna.earl7@gmail.com.

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. Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Lent Ever, a free email program featuring bestselling author Matthew Kelly. Sign-up online at: BestLentEver.com.

Please join Dayton Council 500, Knights of Columbus, 267 Bainbridge Street for an all you can eat Fish Fry on Friday, March 31st. Food served 6-8:00 pm, games from 7-10:00 pm. Includes fish, fries, coleslaw, baked beans and sausage plus adult beverages for only \$15. Please bring a can good, a food item or a paper item for the food pantry. Please contact Paul Dunigan at (937)224-8566 or (937)878-5430 for pre-sale tickets, leave a message. There will be 50/50, horse races, Show Down, Monte Carlo and other exciting games. YOU MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND. Thank you.

Lenten Pilgrimage

Starting Point: Blood of Christ Parish, Guatemala

Precious Blood Missionaries minister in the La Labor region of Guatemala, a rural parish called Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ). They care for the spiritual needs of nearly 40,000 people with the help of trained lay catechists. Precious Blood Parish, Our Lady of Guadalupe in Montezuma, Ohio raised \$40,000 to build a well in the La labor region for access to sanitary drinking water.

Reflection: But to all of you, especially those who can do more and give more, I ask: Please do more! Please give more! When you give of your time, your talents and your resources to the many people who struggle and who live on the margins, you make a difference. It is a difference that is so desperately needed, and one for which you will be richly rewarded by the Lord. (1/18/15)

Miles from March 13-19 - 557 miles

Total miles - 1696:: Spiritual - 1165: Exercise - 531

Email miles bethwitch1962@gmail.com or call 938-6286.

Additional ways to earn Spiritual Miles:

Read Matthew Kelly's book *Resisting Happiness* and earn 25 miles; Sign up and follow the program on Best Lent Ever (BestLentEver.com) and earn 5 miles each day.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 19, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7300.00	\$6023.70
YTD excess or (deficit):	(\$1872.00)	
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 669.30	

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

Prayer List

Milton Sprowl	Bernard Chachula
Craig Hathaway	Nancy Hathaway

Parish Council & Commissions Nominations

It is time to nominate parish representatives to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council and the four major Commissions of the parish which include Liturgy, Education, Facilities and Evangelization. We will be electing 2 new Council members and we need several new members for each Commission. Parishioners are asked to think about who can serve the parish and to nominate them using the nomination forms provided at the back of the church. If you are interested in serving or wish to nominate someone for one of these positions, please put your nomination(s) in writing and return the form through the collection basket or send it to the parish office. Nominations will not be accepted by telephone. Nominations will close April 23rd.

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 a dramatic re-enactment of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion by narration, meditation, acting, and song, will be presented by our youth on Friday March 31 at 7:00 pm in the church. A reception will follow in the basement.

Looking for something peaceful, prayerful, and pro-life to do for Lent? Emmanuel is participating in the 40 Days for Life campaign at the abortion facility, 1401 East Stroop Rd, on Mondays 10 am - 1 pm. They are closed on Monday's, so it is a quiet, peaceful day to pray. We need two volunteers for each hour for the next two Mondays (3/27 & 4/3). If you are willing to give an hour of your time or more please call Gwen Sobieski at 937-623-4612.

The Second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. A celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday will be offered at Emmanuel Church on Sunday, April 23rd beginning at 12:30 PM with confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Mass at 2:00 PM. The afternoon of prayer will end with the 3:00 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

***Attend the Parish Mission March 27, 28 & 29.
In the basement at Emmanuel at 7:00 p.m.***

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 19, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$9506.00
YTD excess or (deficit):	(\$2173.15)	
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If you have been attending Holy Trinity for a while and would like to become registered members of the parish, there are forms on the bookshelf at the back of church.

Please Note: If our gluten intolerant parishioners would please let us know, we can provide you with gluten free host for the reception of the Holy Eucharist.

Caring for God's Creation Tip: Lent reminds us to make small sacrifices, even when no one else is paying attention. Let's find some ways we can reduce our impact on God's precious creation. Go to <http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/resources/reduce-your-carbon-footprint>.

Good and gracious God, help us to see that we are but a single strand in the web of creation and that you call each of us to allow ourselves to be woven by your loving hand into a tapestry of goodness and beauty for all.

Church Cleaning in Preparation for Easter will be Monday, April 10. There will be two sessions – 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Will you be able to help?

Our Lenten Reconciliation Service is next Sunday, April 2 at 12:45 p.m. in Church. The Service will be followed by a Soup and Bread Social in Trinity Center. All are welcome.

Easter Flowers for the Sanctuary...Donations are being accepted for Easter plants for the Sanctuary. Perhaps you would like to remember a deceased loved one, make an offering for a favor received or just to beautify the church and give honor and glory to God for the Easter season. Simply place your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Easter plant" and the name of a deceased loved one on the envelope.

Parish Council Nominees...We are in the process of accepting names to be placed in nomination for election to serve on our Parish Pastoral Council. If you are interesting in serving in a leadership position in the parish, please call Judi (228-1223) and let us know. We are particularly in need of nominees for the Building Commission and the Ways and Means Commission. So, if you are handy at home projects and/or like to plan ways to raise funds for the parish, please let us know.

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt for your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends is Saturday, April 15. In the meantime, we have tubs of plastic eggs that need to be filled for the children to find. That's where you come in. If you would like to purchase some wrapped candies and fill some eggs, call the parish (228-1223) and come in and pick up some empty eggs.

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, call the parish.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 19, 2017

Weekend Offertory: Collection
 \$5993.00
 Charity: \$ 303.00
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 Frs. Angelo and Ken

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.

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.

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	William Mickle	Theresa Ryan
Herman Gabriel	Jim Peacock	Pauline Westendorf
Raymond Garman	Maryanne Peet	

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

Area Activities

Celebrate Holy Week and Easter with EWTN: Learn more about your Faith during the holiest time of the year with EWTN's movies, documentaries, concerts, children's programs, and much more. Join in the celebration of Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome or the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. For further information: www.ewtn.com or visit www.ewtn.com/channelfinder to find a station near you.

The Fifth Annual Artistry Under the Dome will be held on March 31-April 2 at St. Charles Center, Carthage, Ohio. Visit St. Charles Center, motherhouse of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, and view artistic works by more than 30 local artists. The event is free and begins Friday, March 31 from 7-9 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, April 1-2, hours are 10-5 p.m. Visit www.cpps-preciousblood.org look under the News section.

Men of the Archdiocese: Have you ever wondered if you might be called to be a **Permanent Deacon** in the Catholic Church? Attend an informational meeting with your wife on April 6 from 6-7 p.m. at St. Helen Parish. To register contact Deacon Mark Machuga 513.421.3131 ext 2641 or deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org.

Is your marriage hurting in any way? Has your marriage grown cold, distant, unloving or uncaring? Then please consider Retrouvaille (ret' ro-vi) – a program designed to help heal and renew marriages. Retrouvaille is for marriages that have lost some of their spark, for marriages having difficulties in communication and even those marriages on the edge of separation or divorce. The next program begins March 31, April 1 and 2. For more information call 800-470-2230 or visit www.Retrouvaille.org.

Mary's Gardens: A Special Exhibition of the Marian Library March 26-May 10th at the Marian Library on U.D. Campus. The exhibition features a living indoor garden of plants and flowers whose names and stories honor the Blessed Virgin Mother. Further Information: go.udayton.edu/marysgardens.



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