## Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes July 16, 2017

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.PP.S. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.PP.S. Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood www.cpps-preciousblood.org







Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

## Emmanuel Church

149 Franklin St. - 45402<br/>Office: 937-228-2013Web Site: www.emmanuelcatholic.comE-mail: parishoffice@emmanuelcatholic.com<br/>Deacon Rusty BaldwinBr. Matt Schaefer, C.PP.S. DRE & Bookkeeper<br/>Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary<br/>Dennis Pyles, Maintenance<br/>Gary Geisel, Music Director

## **Holy Trinity Church**

272 Bainbridge St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-1223 Web Site: www.holytrinitydayton.org E-mail: ht\_busmgr@sbcglobal.net Deacon Michael Leo Judith L Trick, Business Manager Annie Foos Jan Reed, Pastoral Associate Thomas Aldridge, Music Director

## Saint Joseph Church

411 East Second St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-9272 Web Site: www.stjosephdayton.org E-mail: stjosephday@sbcglobal.net 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.

## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, July 17 7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Shannon Smith 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Virginia Bauer

**Tuesday, July 18** 7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Dolly Dunigan

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....James Sichman

Wednesday, July 19

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members Demeter family 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Joe Harris

Thursday, July 20

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Elsie Faris 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Rosalie Caperna

#### Friday, July 21

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members Brinkman family 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Paterno Piedraverde

#### Saturday, July 22

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Effie M. Minham 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Robert Matson 4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners 5:15 PM Emmanuel....For our parishioners

#### Sunday, July 23

8:30 AM Holy Trinity	For our parishioners
	Thomas Hischak
10:30 AM Emmanuel	Pauline Thomas
11:30 AM Holy Trinity	Jose Rafael Davila Rexach

Next Week's Readings: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

#### **Confession Schedule**

Emmanuel:Saturday 4:00-5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AMHoly Trinity:Sunday: 8:00 AMSt. Joseph:Monday-Saturday 11:30 AM; Saturday: 4:00 PM

#### **PASTOR'S PEN**

When we think of a farmer planting a field we probably picture a big John Deere tractor moving through the field plowing and planting in calculated & cultivated rows. After hearing today's gospel, you might have thought to yourself, *"That farmer Jesus spoke of was pretty sloppy when planting his seeds!"* The experience Jesus had of farming was very different from what we see today. A farmer in the time of Jesus would walk through an unplowed field and generously scatter seed far and wide anticipating problems such as birds, stones and weeds. Once sown, then the seed would be plowed under and the farmer would await the yield.

In this and other parables used by Jesus we can see that there is no one answer that will explain the message of a parable. By their nature, parables are open-ended and can be interpreted in any number of ways. Today's parable is a good example of this method of teaching.

- If our focus is on the sower of the seed in the parable our thoughts turn to God who generously sows seeds in every type of ground; His living Word is given for all to hear and take to heart.
- If our focus is on the seed in the parable then our thoughts turn to the faithfulness of God. We can trust that the seed God plants will fulfill the mission it was given to do.
- If our focus is on the harvest--at first, we might begin to worry that there will not be a good harvest because of the birds and rocks and weeds, and yet, in the end there is an overwhelming abundance of grain produced. God's Word will bring forth fruit providing a miraculous harvest.
- If our focus is on the soil, then our thoughts turn to the type of environment that we are preparing in our hearts to receive the Word of God. Are we easily swayed by distractions, do worries and fears choke off life, do we make time to reflect upon life?

Taking a closer look at the action of the farmer we can see that he scattered the seed far and wide in hopes that at least some would grow. In the same way God generously scatters the seeds of his love in hopes that they will take root in any heart that receives it. Jesus didn't come for just one group of people—Jesus came to save all people. His love is not calculated or restricted. Rather, through the heart of Jesus, we come to see that God's love is generous, overflowing and extravagant, it does not return void.

When we see ourselves as the farmer in today's parable we have accepted the call to be disciples and missionaries. We are to be people of faith sowing seeds of God's love generously; hearing the call to be the hands of Christ, to be his voice, his ears and his heart. There was once a Monk who was walking along the street and he came upon a poorly dressed woman and her child, both homeless and hungry. The Monk became angry and cried out to God: "How can you allow this to happen?" "Why aren't you doing something about this suffering?" God was silent for a while and then said: "I did do something about it...I made you."

You and I are called to sow seeds of generosity and compassion in lives that are rocked with poverty, sickness and sorrow. We are called to sow seeds which proclaim dignity & respect for all

#### PASTOR'S PEN continued...

life to a world choking upon the weeds of violence, apathy and selfishness. We will never know when our generous sowing of the seeds of faith, love and hope will mean the difference between life or death for someone in need. Remember, even in the poorest of conditions, a seed can take root and grow like the seed that sprouts and grows in the crack of the sidewalk.

When God's Word is able to overcome the obstacles of fear, indifference, distractions, pride or the need to be in control, then God will provide an abundant harvest. Through God's covenant of love sealed in the Precious Blood of Jesus we can trust that God's Word will not return to the Lord void; it will achieve the end for which it was sent.

#### **REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Missionary Cooperative Appeal

This year Mrs. Carolyn Meyer and Phil and Connie Deardorff will be here to speak on behalf of the missions of the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, Indiana during the Masses on July 29th and 30th. They are long time Associates of the Community and serve as director, board member and Oldenburg Academy faculty. There are over 250 Associates who have made a commitment to live out the Franciscan values they learned from the Sisters. There will be a second collection taken up on the last weekend in July in support of the ministry of the Oldenburg Franciscans.

#### You're invited to the First: St. Vincent de Paul Open House and Ice Cream Social!

Come and see what St. Vincent de Paul has been able to do because of your generosity! Join us for hot dogs, ice cream, fellowship, and a tour of our pantry.

**When:** After all Masses the weekend of July 29th and 30th (except after the 8:30 Mass at Holy Trinity).



**Where:** At the Emmanuel St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, located at 155 Franklin Street.

#### Calling all quilters!

Cindy Lauber is interested in starting a quilting group for fellowship, learning and charity work. All experience levels are welcome as well as beginners. Call Cindy at 274-3740.

**Golden Anniversary Mass 2017** - Married couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2017 are invited to gather at Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Church, Dayton on August 12, 2017 for a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Dennis Schnurr. All are welcome! No RSVP necessary.

#### LISTEN

Listen and attend with the ear of your heart. —St. Benedict

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

## Generous Contributions for July 9, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget \$7920.00	Collection \$5763.00
YTD excess or <b>deficit:</b> St. Vincent DePaul:	<b>\$ 162.00</b> \$ 576.30	

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

## Prayer List

Larry Byrd	Parker Cianciola	Joan Hicks
Bernard Chachula	Craig Hathaway	Peggy McCarley
Sr. Montiel Rosenthal	, S.C.	Evelyn Varmuza

**Psalms Bible Study:** The Psalms form the heart and soul of the liturgical prayer and praise of the Church and are prominent in its teaching. They focus our corporate response to the Old Testament readings in the Liturgy of the Word. They form the basis of the Divine Office, the Church's official set of daily prayers. And they continue to be a rich resource for helping us to orient our hearts to God and to direct our innermost thoughts to him in private prayer. Join us to study Psalms: The School of Prayer in September at Emmanuel's Education Center. See flyers in back of church to register.

### **Consider Making Gifts of Stock or Mutual Fund Shares**

Donating shares of stock or mutual funds that have increased in value may benefit both your parish and provide personal financial benefits. Depending on your age, it may be beneficial for you to contribute assets directly from a retirement savings plan. For more information on making such gifts please contact Brother Matt at the Parish Office.

#### Did you forget to pick up a bulletin at Mass?

The bulletins are available on our <u>website</u>. Click on the bulletin link and then choose the week you would like to read. Emmanuel keeps 4 weeks of bulletins on our website. If you need one that is not available on our website, visit <u>St. Joseph's</u> or <u>Holy Trinity</u> websites as they have an archive of the bulletins. Keep informed on the happenings within our Downtown Dayton Catholic Parish Communities.

## 100th Anniversary Year of Our Lady of Fatima

In honor of this anniversary year there will be a shrine set up in church with an image of Our Lady of Fatima. Those who wish to share in the plenary indulgence granted by Pope Francis for this Jubilee Year can visit the shrine on the 13th of each month between May and October. Instructions and other prayer materials will be available at the shrine. In this jubilee year may we follow Our Lady's request for penance, prayer and devotion to her Immaculate Heart.

## From the Joyful Noiseletter:

Sign outside Countryside Christian Church, Leawood, KS: "Noah should have swatted the two mosquitoes."

—via G. Taylor Hess, Mission, KS

# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

## Generous Contributions for July 9, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6100.00	\$5750.78
YTD excess or (deficit):	\$3657.22	

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**Care for God's Creation Tip:** Summer is the season for gathering outdoors with friends and family. Keep the environment in mind while planning your next grill-out.

- Use a gas grill, which generates fewer air pollutants than burning charcoal
- Take advantage of summer produce; serve salads and other side dishes that require little or no cooking energy. Buy organic and locally grown food as often as possible.
- Use reusable or biodegradable cups, plates and utensils, and encourage recycling of cans and bottles.
- Fill up pitchers of water and other beverages instead of buying individual portions.

Loving Father, help us to promote peace throughout our world and natural environment.

Holy Trinity Old Fashioned Holiday Bazaar 2017 –We are off and running and planning to make this the best Old Fashioned Holiday Bazaar ever at Holy Trinity. We're adding a couple of new areas that we think will bring some excitement for both children and adults. Thanks for the input of all who came to the meeting and offered suggestions. If you were unable to make the meeting but have suggestions, you may contact Patsy Martin, chairperson at 937-776-8949.

**Craft Evening** in preparation for the Craft Booth at the Bazaar will start on Monday, August 14 in the cafeteria at Trinity Center. The time: 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Every one interested in helping to make crafts (you do not have to be super crafty) is welcome to come and help. Please bring any ideas you my have for crafts to this first meeting so we can plan our time together. Thank you. We are still looking for a glass cutter. If you have this skill, please let us know – 228-1223.



We Still Have Fourteen Tickets Available For The Dragon's Game on Saturday July 22. There is free parking at St. Joseph lot next to their rectory. Tickets are \$12.00 each. Call the rectory to get yours.

**Our Sympathy** is extended to the family of Ed Morrisey buried from St. Helen's Parish this past Monday. May he rest comfortably in the arms of Our Father.

**Mass Intention:** If you are interested in having a Mass celebrated for a deceased loved one at Holy Trinity, please call the parish office.



Holy Trinity Catholic Church

## **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

### Generous Contributions for July 9, 2017

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$5052.00
Charity:	\$ 158.00
Many thanks for the genero	ous spirit of our parishioners.
Frs. Angelo and Ken	

**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.

#### 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.

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

Kathy Buschur	Raymond Garman	Maryanne Peet
Donna Butts	Jennifer Grant	Theresa Riggs
Betty Criner	William Miekle	Tony Riggs
Joe Franchina	Ted O'Connor	Theresa Ryan
Herman Gabriel	Jim Peacock	Tom Zukowitz

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

Rebekka Anders	Greg Marcus	Tim Melvin
Nick Borton	Alex McGarvey	David Musgrove
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Zachary McIntyre	Jessica Pruitt
Gary Eilers	Matthew Melvin	Susan Varmuza
Cody Landers		

## Area Activities

Lay Catholic Studies: 50% Tuition Reduction for 2017-2018 The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and offers lay Catholics the opportunity to grow in faith, knowledge and skills. Weeknight and Saturday classes allow participants to maintain job, family, and community commitments while answering a call to deeper discipleship. Interviews are now underway for fall classes meeting at Sacred Heart of Jesus parish in McCartyville, Good Shepherd parish in Montgomery, or the main campus. Contact Dr. Susan McGurgan at <u>smcgurgan@athenaeum.edu</u> or 513-231-1200 for information or to set up an interview.

**Miami Valley Catholic Singles** - Celtic Festival, Downtown Dayton. Join us for the Celtic Mass at 10:00 a.m. on July 30 and enjoy breakfast and the rest of the festival afterward! Meet at the rear of the United Irish of Dayton Stage at the Five Rivers MetroParks Pavilion at 9:30 a.m.. For questions please contact Tom Fagan: 937-361-7483 or Diane Stroud: 937-304-7017

**Elizabeth's New Life Center** has an opening for a Development Office (DO) for the Dayton area. The DO will work as a member of our development team, seeking monetary and in-kind donations to support our ministry of "saving babies and changing lives." The position is 24 hours a week with occasional nights and weekends for special events. Visit our website at elizabethnewlife.org to submit your resume and cover letter.

## **Golf Tournament to Support Catholic Social Services**

The 12th Annual Pat Rupp Memorial Golf Tournament is Monday, July 24. Play at the world-renowned NCR County Club Golf Course in Kettering where you'll enjoy lunch, dinner & refreshments; friendly competition; cool swag; and great golf – all to benefit Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley. Proceeds support programs that help children and families throughout the agency's eight-county service area. Register online at <u>https://</u> <u>cssmv.ejoinme.org/golf</u> or call (937) 223-7217 ext. 1106.

