Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes February 18, 2018 1st Sunday of Lent

1st Sunday of Lent
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Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, Fel	bruary 19			
7:30 AM	Holy Trinity	Thomas Sheetz		
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Gerald Gillotti		
Tuesday, Fel	bruary 20			
7:30 AM	Holy Trinity	Dan Firment		
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Catherine Laurie		
	February 21			
7:30 AM	Emmanuel	Living & deceased members of		
		Trick Family		
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Purificacion Palomares		
Thursday, F	ebruary 22			
		Fr. Melchoir Lochtefeld		
	St. Joseph	Claude Sacksteder		
Friday, Febr				
	Emmanuel			
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Sr. Rose Carmel Berberich		
Saturday, February 24				
7:30 AM	Emmanuel	Niehaus Family		
	St. Joseph			
		Clara & Leroy Dieringer		
	Emmanuel	For our parishioners		
Sunday, February 25				
	Holy Trinity			
	St. Joseph			
10:30 AM	Emmanuel	Living & deceased members		
		Enochs Family		
11:30 AM	Holy Trinity	For our parishioners		
Next Week's Readings:				

Confession Schedule

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

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.PP.S. DRE & Bookkeeper
Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary
Dennis Pyles, Maintenance
Gary Geisel, Music Director

Holy Trinity Church

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Deacon Michael Leo
Judith L Trick, Business Manager
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Thomas Aldridge, Music Director

Saint Joseph Church

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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

One of the first Bible stories that many of us heard as children was the story of Noah and the Ark. Through the sign of a rainbow God makes a covenant with Noah promising never again to destroy the inhabitants of the earth by a flood. There is something captivating about seeing a rainbow; its presence generates a sense of hope and a reminder that God can do amazing things with His creative hand.

I recall one such experience on the day of my Dad's funeral. My niece Korin said that she had been talking with her son Jacob, who had died shortly after birth, telling him that he was to see to it that there would be a rainbow on the day of grandpa's funeral. The evening of the funeral a light rain started to fall and a rainbow appeared in the sky...in fact, a double rainbow! This was truly amazing because it had been so dry in Ohio that year. We all stood out in the rain and admired the beautiful rainbow in the sky as a sign that Dad was ok and that we would be ok too. Throughout the bible, the gift of a covenant provides a promise of safety in an uncertain and dangerous world.

Our readings today invite us to become more aware of the gift of God's covenant of love given to us in baptism. In our second reading the author makes the connection between the waters of the flood in the time of Noah and the waters of baptism. Both speak of God's covenant with us. Through the waters of Baptism, we become children of God and enter a relationship of love that lasts forever.

It's important to note that a covenant is not the same thing as a contract. Contracts are agreements in which each party agrees to follow a specific set of conditions which govern their relationship. If either person doesn't fulfill their agreement the contact is cancelled. On the other hand, a covenant is an agreement that is unconditional. There is no score-keeping. Each party freely gives themselves to the other for the rest of their lives. In scripture, when God enters into a covenant with His people, it reflects God's dream for unity that we live in communion with God and one another. Throughout the centuries God has been faithful to His covenant. Just as Jesus was never abandoned by the Father, so too we can trust in God's abiding presence for us.

We see this in today's gospel reading when Jesus was led out into the desert to be tempted by Satan. Mark clearly states that Jesus was not abandoned but rather, he was ministered to in the desert. This is true for all of us. When we are tempted, God is with us offering strength, wisdom and the courage needed to remain true to our commitment.

Living within God's covenant of love we can always be sure that we have a future full of hope because of the life we share in Christ. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus we know that God is working all things to the good. Our responsibility is to reject whatever is evil and to pursue that which is good and holy. It means living for Christ, living like Christ, and loving like Christ.

As we begin this season of Lent, how will you make use of this forty -day retreat to deepen your relationship with the Lord? Keep your focus on God's covenant of love as you prepare your heart and mind and soul to renew your baptismal promises at Easter. May the prayer of St. Richard of Chichester be a guide for us in this Lenten journey:

O Lord, I pray that I may see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly and follow Thee more nearly each day.

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Light Is On for You – "Come back to me, says the Lord." (Hosea 14) Is there someone you love who has stopped coming to Mass or feels separated from the Church? Join the Lord by inviting your friend back. Catholic churches across the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be open for quiet prayer and private confession on Tuesday, February 27 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. This will be a time to experience the quiet and peace of our parish churches as their doors are opened to welcome the lost and broken. If the time is right for your friend, priests will be available to talk and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Invite them to experience Christ's healing and reconciling peace. Learn more at: www.EncounterPeace.org.

Formed Pick of the Week: Love-Sacrifice-Trust, by Fr. Mike Schmitz. With clarity and profound hope, Fr. Mike Schmitz shoes how God's rescue mission for us includes the need for each person to embrace his own cross and understand that true love requires sacrifice. To access the FORMED website, go to Formed.org and login using our parish code: FZ4VY9 (All upper-case letters).

Dynamic Catholic is offering free email program that will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself, making this a truly life-changing Lent. To sign-up visit www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever.

Lenten Pilgrimage—Kauda, Sudan

Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood, Congregatio Pretiosi Sanguinis (CPS), began their mission in southern Sudan, Nuba Mountains in 2005. Now, four Sisters courageously serve the marginalized war-torn people of Kauda. They serve in health care, education and pastoral ministries. Sr. Caroline Mjomba, East African Provincial Superior of the CPS, wrote an article in the Global Sisters Report, March 2017. "The Nuba people are very friendly and generous despite the challenges of war, hunger, harsh weather, lack of formal education — you name it. Basic needs like soap and salt are a luxury. What is saddening is that girls are married off at a tender age though many really want an education. Many parents (especially the mothers, given that the fathers are in the battle) cannot even afford the little money charged for school fees. Lack of infrastructure, including roads, health care and schools, contribute to the remoteness of the Nuba Mountains and the suffering there." Thought for the week: God is not subject to eclipse or change. He is forever one and the same. P.7

Save the Date: Program on researching genealogy with Catholic sacramental records, Saturday, April 7, 2018.

2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

We thank everyone who has participated in the 2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges let us impact the stories of thousands through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will go to the support of specific goals in each of our parishes, so please be as generous as you can. For more information and to pledge online, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

Deacon Informational Meeting. Have you considered becoming a Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Church. An information meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 20th at 7:00pm at St. Helen Parish, 605 Granville Place in the Smith Building. For more information contact Deacon Mark Machuga at 513-421-3131, ext2641 or deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 11, 2018

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$ 7,920.00	\$7036.00
St. Vincent DePaul	\$ 703.60	
YTD excess or (deficit):	\$39,892.00	
CMA 2017 Total:	\$35,342,24	
2018 Goal:	\$16,759.00	

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Prayer List

Daniel Branch	Joan Hicks	Bridget Portune
Larry Byrd	Betty Kleinhenz	Randy Rosenthal
Lawrence Case	Richard Malafa	Albert Veith
Bernard Chachula	Mike McDonald Sr.	Donna Williams
George Hendrix	Patrick McDonald	

Stations of the Cross

Will take place each Friday Evening during Lent at 7:00pm in the church.

The 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from February 14th to March 25th. Our church is responsible for each Wednesday of the campaign from 4:00-7:00pm at the abortion facility in Kettering on Stroop Road, where every week between 35 and 50 innocent babies are aborted. You may sign up for an hour or more at www.40daysforlife.com/Dayton or by calling Gwen Sobieski 937-623-4612. You can be a sign of Christ's love and mercy to them by your prayerful presence on the sidewalk. As Jesus asked His apostles: "Could you not watch one hour?" Mk 14:37

World Youth Day 2019...Come experience your faith on a whole new level. Join thousands of people from around the world and celebrate our faith together with the Pope in Panama. WYD2019 is in PANAMA January 22-27, 2019. Space is limited and Virtus current adults are needed to chaperone. The total cost will be no more than \$2100 and includes airfare from Dayton, lodging, all meals, registration fees, and a missionary kit. First payment is due March 1, 2018. We have subcontracted with JMJ Youth (over 27 years of experience in youth pilgrimages) for flights, ground transportation, and lodging. For more information contact Renae Rieman at: (937)-971-0644 or renaeoriem@gmail.com.

Lenten Book for Parishioners. Be sure and pick up your copy of Brant Pitre's book, *The Case For Jesus*, a gift from the parish to enhance your Lenten reflections.

Save the Date ...

February 27th – The Light is On, Confessions 7:00-9:00pm in Region 7 churches.

March 18th – Communal Reconciliation Service & Soup Meal at Holy Trinity at 12:45pm

March 23rd – Living Stations of the Cross at Emmanuel Church at 7:00pm

April 8th through April 12th – Parish Mission entitled "The Gift of Divine Mercy" at Emmanuel Church with Fr. William Casey, C.P.M.

Coffee & Donuts after Mass today (Sunday) in Emmanuel's Church basement.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 11, 2018

Weekend Offertory: Budget Collection \$ 6,100.00 \$10,077.00

YTD excess or (deficit): \$25,606.20 CMA 2017 Total: \$10,778.00 2018 Goal: \$14,651.00

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Thanks to everyone who came and supported our Annual Lenten Fish Fry last evening. A good time was had by all and we especially thank Sam Echkart and Barb Gilbert for their expertise in overseeing this event. Our hats are off to all the helpers who gave their time.

Lenten Soup Supper

Join with us Thursday, February 22 at 5:30 p.m. in Trinity Center for the first of our Soup Suppers. Following the meager meal of soup, bread and beverage we will gather in church for Stations of the Cross. If you wish to make a donation to the Emmanuel Food Pantry there will be a donation jar available. All are welcome.

Request for tax verification for the parish will be available after February 25 when I return from vacation. - Judi.

Next Sunday our candidates and catechumen in our RCIA program will participate in the Rite of Election at Immaculate Conception Parish. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue on this journey of faith.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday to celebrate President's Day.

Shoes for the Shoeless – Our Lenten almsgiving project is Shoes for the Shoeless. Donating one new pair of shoes and/or socks suitable to be worn in gym class can change a child's life. Let's see how many lives we can change by our donations. Please no high end shoes like Jordan's and no low end ones purchased from dollar stores. Sizes appropriate for kindergarten through senior year are requested. If you would rather make a monetary donation, please write your check to Shoes for the Shoeless and drop in the collection basket.

Lectors and Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ

Will you give us an hour or so of your time Sunday, March 11 immediately after the 11:30 Mass in Trinity Center? We will come together for a time of reflection, prayer and instruction pertaining to the liturgical ministry you share at the Sunday and Holyday Eucharistic Celebrations. If you are unable to attend, please call Judi at the parish office.

Online giving at Holy Trinity

Check out our webpage <u>Holytrinitydayton.org</u> and find out how easy it is to support Holy Trinity through offertory contributions by using your credit card. Or you can call Judi at the parish office and she will walk you through the process. Online giving is just another way to support our parish. We continue to accept offerings through the collection envelopes, ACH and bank checks. Thank you for your support.

Support For Our New Sound System can be done online by visiting our webpage holytrinitydayton.org, choose online giving from the navigator bar and then from the drop down menu choose sound system and enter the amount you would like to give. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Weekend Offertory: Collection \$ 5,559.57 Charity: \$ 211.00 CMA 2017 Total: \$19,992.00 \$16,689.00

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Welcome to our new parishioners, James Brokamp and Kathleen Weisenbach. We're delighted you've decided to join us.

Save the Date! On March 24th following the 4:30 Mass we'll have a potluck dinner in the school cafeteria celebrating the feast of St. Joseph which is March 19th. Check the bulletin for more information in the coming weeks.

Hearing Aid Receivers Available... Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it, just give it back to an usher.

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

Cheryl Anderson Nora Fass Tony Riggs
Charlie Brown Carol French Jean Sichman
John Demeter Brenda Magnum Karen Thomas
Christine Durr Vanessa Padgett Sharon Wenzel

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Rebekka Anders Cody Landers Tim Melvin
Michael Borgert Greg Marcus David Musgrove
Nick Borton Alex McGarvey Anthony Pelfrey
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles Zachary McIntyre
Gary Eilers Matthew Melvin Susan Varmuza
Morgan Konsdorf

Area Activities

Your invited to join alumni and friends of Saint Meinrad for a Day of Service on Saturday, March 10, at the St. Vincent de Paul Gateway Shelter for Women and Families, 120 West Apple Street. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. with work from 9-1 p.m. Each volunteer will receive a free t-shirt, courtesy of the Saint Meinrad Alumni Association. Volunteers are asked to register by March 1 to ensure an accurate count for t-shirts. For more details or to register, visit http://alumni.saintmeinrad.edu/dayofservice or call the Saint Meinrad Alumni Office at (800) 682-0988.

Women's Morning of Reflection: Please join us on Tuesday, March 6, at St. Peter's Church, for a Morning of Reflection. The focus will be the life of St. Joan of Arc, and the theme "Time and Kingdom." Starts at 9:30AM with Mass, followed by spiritual reflection, meditation, and a social, ending at noon. Reconciliation will be available. To reserve babysitting please contact Heather at 867-7332 or for further information, Connie at 620-2207. Regnum Christi women are hosting this wonderful opportunity for all women.

The Dayton Catholic Women's Club St. Patrick's Day Luncheon and Card/Game Party, 10-3 p.m., Saturday, March 10th, at the Presidential Banquet Center, 4548 Presidential Way. The \$25 lunch will be served at 12 p.m. Participate and register (\$10 per person) in our 1st Annual Euchre Tournament with proceeds benefiting our Scholarship and Grant Programs. Please help us by donating empty Easter baskets, candy, small toys, "grass," personal/dental hygiene products, etc. Assembled Easter baskets will be distributed to children at the St. Vincent de Paul Shelter. For reservations or questions, contact Julianne McCain (937-694-2176) or online http://www.daytoncatholicwomensclub.org. Deadline March 5th.

English Language Tutoring Program at Incarnation Church Volunteer of Incarnation Church are offering English as a Second Language (ESL) classes every Saturday morning from 10:30am-12:00pm in the Parish Center (behind the church on the south end of the school). To learn more or join the ESL program, please call Barbara at 937-433-1660 or Roberta at 937-435-5756.

Cincinnati Men's Conference, Saturday, April 28, 2018 At the Taft Theatre. Visit: CincinnatiMensConference.com for information.





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