# **Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes**

January 6, 2019
The Epiphany of the Lord

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.PP.S. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Matthew Keller, C.PP.S.

In residence: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.PP.S. Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

#### Mass Intentions

| Monday, January 7                              |
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| 7:30 AM Holy TrinityEdith Heiser               |
| 12:00 PM St. Joseph                            |
| Tuesday, January 8                             |
| 7:30 AM Holy TrinityTom & Renata Schommer      |
| 12:00 PM St. JosephPaula Deschler              |
| Wednesday, January 9                           |
| 7:30 AM EmmanuelTom Flanigan                   |
| 12:00 PM St. JosephErwin Doerr                 |
| Thursday, January 10                           |
| 7:30 AM EmmanuelJames Rodeghero                |
| 12:00 PM St. JosephMilton Sprowl               |
| Friday, January 11                             |
| 7:30 AM EmmanuelLiving & deceased members of   |
| the Moore family                               |
| 12:00 PM St. JosephLinda Sammet                |
| Saturday, January 12                           |
| 7:30 AM EmmanuelMost Forgotten Souls           |
| 12:00 PM St. JosephTom, Rose and Marie Bova    |
| 4:30 PM St. JosephLiving & deceased members of |
| the Moretto family                             |
| 5:15 PM EmmanuelFor our parishioners           |
| Sunday, January 13                             |
| 8:30 AM Holy TrinityBernard Kleimeier          |
| 10:00 AM St. JosephFor our parishioners        |
| 10:30 AM EmmanuelRichard Schaefer              |
| 11:30 AM Holy TrinityFor our parishioners      |
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## **Next Week's Readings:**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

#### **Confessions 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**

149 Franklin St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-2013

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Deacon Rusty Baldwin
Br. Matt Schaefer, C.PP.S. DRE & Bookkeeper
Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary
Dennis Pyles, Maintenance
Michelle Carner, Music Director

## **Holy Trinity Church**

272 Bainbridge St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-1223

Web Site: <a href="www.holytrinitydayton.org">www.holytrinitydayton.org</a>
E-mail: <a href="https://hosberglobal.net">https://hosberglobal.net</a>
Deacon Michael Leo
Judith L Trick, Business Manager
Marina Dodaro, Secretary
Lynda Middleton, DRE/Pastoral Associate
Shaughn Phillips, Region 7 Evangelization & Young Adult Ministry

## Saint Joseph Church

411 East Second St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-9272

Web Site: <a href="www.stjosephdayton.org">www.stjosephday@sbcglobal.net</a> 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.

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

This past Sunday my family gathered to celebrate Christmas and one of the frequent ways to find an answer to a question that came up was to get on the internet to do a Google search or to ask Siri or Alexa for an answer. Every day so many people search to find things on the internet. We look for information about a product, a news story, directions to a house, recipes for dinner, books to buy or answers to trivia related questions. Everyone is seeking something when they jump on the internet.

What are you seeking today? Maybe you are looking for truth or peace of mind and heart. Maybe you are seeking to understand the hand of God at work in your life. Maybe you are seeking a break from non-stop football games on TV or as you begin this New Year maybe you are searching for the opportunity to use your talents more fully. We all are seeking something. What are you seeking?

In today's gospel we see that the Magi are seeking the newborn king of the Jews. Coming from the East, probably Persia, they were considered to be the skilled scientist of the day having studied philosophy, science, medicine and astrology. Unfortunately, the Magi didn't have a GPS system or the internet to help them in their search, otherwise they could have avoided going to King Herod. So, having studied the stars, they headed for the obvious place to look for a new King, a palace in Jerusalem.

# What are you seeking today?

King Herod was disturbed by this news of a new born King and called together all the chief priests and scribes of the people and asked them where the Christ was to be born. They studied the writings of the prophets and found in the Book of Micah the passage about Bethlehem, a small Podunk town, as the place where the shepherd of Israel, the Messiah, is to be found. Guided by this new information the Magi continue their search, following the new star that preceded them, they rejoice when they found the child. In humble adoration they bow down and offer him homage.

We have gathered here today because like the Magi we are seekers. There is a longing in our hearts to be with the Lord that has drawn us to offer homage and worship to Christ the King, Jesus the true light of the world. In humble adoration we offer him the gold of our acts of charity, the frankincense of our prayer and the myrrh of our sacrifice as we die to an old self in order to live in Christ and walk in his ways.

Everyone is seeking something; even ruthless Herod who was seeking to preserve his power and authority. History shows that he destroyed anyone who would get in his way during his long 67 years of reign as King. Like Herod, there are people today whose primary pursuit in life is power, wealth and control. We see this played out in domestic violence, bullying, corporate take-overs, street violence and terrorism. The drive for power is still a dangerous motive in people's hearts.

What are you seeking? All of us are here today because we have come to see that there is something more to life than what we can see and reason with our minds. God who created the heavens and the earth has placed a longing in our hearts to be with him for all eternity. In our pursuit of this treasure we can easily loose our way—choosing power or control, selfish interests and desires, personal security, material wants or the status quo to maintain our safe little world. As we begin this New Year we are asked to put aside anything that would keep us from saying YES to God's Will for us. Like the Magi we are blessed to encounter Jesus Christ, not in Bethlehem, but in the gift of the Eucharist we share today.

#### REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Epiphany House Blessing**

On the Feast of the Epiphany families are invited to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. We invite Jesus to be a part of our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrow.

Let us pray: Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying: May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. Amen.

(Prayer from Catholic Book of Blessings USCCB)

To mark your home for Christ, you can use chalk to write above the home's entrance or somewhere inside the house using the following markings: 20 + C + M + B + 19. The initials, C, M, B, remind us of the names of the three magi (Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar) or the Latin phrase "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" which means "Christ bless this house".

**SVDP Fundraiser:** Our event is only a few weeks away. **Volunteers** are needed to work. Please contact Holly at 901-4194. **Baked goods** are also needed. Contact Judy at 247-5066. **Tickets** will be sold at all Masses, at all three parishes, on the weekends of Jan. 12, 13 and Jan. 19, 20. You can also purchase tickets by calling Holly. We hope you will join us so that we have a successful and fun event. All proceeds help us to continue our Mission in serving the inner city poor. Thank you.

#### **Christmas Book Young Adult Study: Into His Likeness**

Did you grab one of our Christmas books but haven't gotten around to reading it yet? Join other young adults beginning January 27th to read *Into His Likeness* by Edward Sri. This book club will last 6 weeks to help get you through that post-holiday February slump! Location and time TBD by those registered. To register and get the reading schedule or to get a book email Shaughn Phillips sphilips@daytondowntowncatholic.com.

## January Young Adult (20s and 30s) Movie Watch:

Prepare for Groundhogs Day (February 2nd) by joining other young adults to watch *Groundhogs Day* on Thursday, January 24th at 7pm! A short reflection will follow afterwards. Email Shaughn Phillips at <a href="mailto:sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com">sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com</a> for further details and to register!

#### Winter Exercise Series for Health

The next Tai Chi/Qigong exercise class series will be held Tuesday, Jan. 29th to March 5th, 2019. The series will feature one 90 min. class each week with both beginner and intermediate styles being taught. Time is 6:00-7:30 pm and location is the Trinity Center at 266 Bainbridge St. Fee is \$60.00 for the 6-week class series and is payable in full at the first class to Holy Trinity Church. Pre-registration is required by Thursday, Jan. 24th. A minimum of 12 people is needed to hold the class. The class will close at 22 participants. Contact Sharon Becker to register and for more information at 776-2942, or by email at <a href="mailto:sharonbeck-er6@gmail.com">sharonbeck-er6@gmail.com</a>.

## **EMMANUEL CHURCH**

### **Generous Contributions for December 30, 2018**

Weekend Offertory: Budget Collection \$7,980.00 \$18,340.00

YTD **excess** or (deficit): **\$ 14,908.00** St. Vincent DePaul: **\$ 1,834.00** 

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

**Prayer List** 

Daniel BranchNancy GlazierMike McDonaldBernard ChachulaGeorge HendrixRandy RosenthalMichael DalessioKathy McCrabbVincent Schommer

Annette & John Fohl Thomas Ledinsky

**Our Sympathy** is extended to the family of Nancy Mazzotta who was buried this week from Emmanuel Church. May she rest in the Peace of the Lord.

#### Message from Fr. Emmanuel Fale

Accept my warmest greetings from Cameroon. With the help of your prayers, I had a safe journey. I reached Douala, the commercial capital at the stipulated time, and had much smoother airport exist than previous times. It took my nieces who greeted me two and half weeks to reach the city of Douala where it is safe. They were happy to see me but sternly warned me not to go to certain places. My diocese is not even reachable.

I left Douala to Yaounde to make the national ID since my old one had expired. This will help me to not have to show my passport to them at the check points. It has taken me two days and I have not succeeded yet. They are demanding ten times the amount of money that used to be demanded before. I have to do it for my security. I intend to move to the first Anglophone area to celebrate New year with some priests of my province and begin carrying out my research for my dissertation.

I continue to count on your prayers. I remain so indebted for all that you did to support me morally, spiritually and materially. Please, pray for my family; it is clear that I will not see my parents - so painful. May God bless you all! Fr. Emmanuel

The Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee wishes to thank Ed Grantonic for his AWESOME photographic abilities in taking pictures inside the Church for our fundraising Christmas cards. Thank you also to all the parishioners who purchased them. The proceeds aid us in helping students attend the March for Life in January.

**Mass Intentions for 2019** may be scheduled by calling the rectory, 228-2013, Monday-Friday 9:30am-2:30pm. Mass intentions are a \$5 donation and you may request up to 3 Masses per deceased loved one or intention. You may only request 1 weekend Mass time (5:15pm or 10:30am) for the year.

Offertory Envelopes...For those Parishioners using the Emmanuel Offertory Envelopes, please pick up your box in the back of the church. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please contact Brother Matt at 228-2013 or <a href="mailto:brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com">brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com</a>. These envelopes can serve as reminders for your offerings and will allow the parish to provide you with a year-end statement of your contributions.

Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction Join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm for the Miraculous Medal Novena, with church doors opening at 6:30pm. During this holy hour we pray the Novena as well as have Exposition, Benediction, Communion and a short homily. Come and spend some quiet time in the presence of God.

## **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

## **Generous Contributions for December 30, 2018**

Weekend Offertory: Budget Collection \$6,400.00 \$8,415.00

\$6,400.00 **\$ 221.80** 

YTD excess or (deficit): \$ 221.80 Solemnity of Mary: \$ 405.00

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

#### **New Director of Music**

Fr. Angelo is happy to announce that we have hired Krista Schupback as the new Director of Music for Holy Trinity Church. Krista has a B.A. in Music from the University of Dayton and over the years has been a piano instructor offering private lessons and has served as the substitute Church Musician at St. Luke's in Beavercreek since 2007. She is excited to become a part of the Holy Trinity Community and working with our music and choir program. Krista's first weekend with us will be Sunday, January 13th. Please join me in welcoming Kirsta to the Holy Trinity parish!

**First Reconciliation and First Communion Classes** begin January 13, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Classes will be held the second and fourth Sundays of the month during FIRE. Please call the office to sign your child up if you have not previously done so.

Ministry to Military and College Students – The FIRE participants would like to show our love and care for Holy Trinity college students and military personnel by sending them care packages. Please submit the names and addressees of your college students, soldiers, sailors and air force personnel to the church office by Sunday, January 6, 2019. Care packages will be packed on Sunday, January 13 during FIRE. Donations of candy, beef jerky and other individual packages of snacks will be gratefully accepted. Please place your donation in the box marked F.I.R.E. in the back of the church. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

Choir rehearsals will be held on Thursday evenings beginning January 10. If you enjoy singing and would like to join our choir, please call the parish office and our new music director will get in contact with you.

**Bible Study** will be held immediately after the 8:30 Mass today in the parish office building. All are welcome to come.

**Mass Intentions** are being accepted for 2019. If you have loved ones you wish to remember please call Judi at the parish office for scheduling.

#### **Dates to Mark on Your Calendar**

-The Baptism of the Lord – January 13. We will be dismantling the Christmas decorations immediately after the 11:30 Mass. Please stay and help if you are able.

-Articles for the upcoming issue of our parish newsletter "Inspired" are due by Friday, January 18. The newsletter staff encourages all parishioners to submit articles and photos that would be of interest to the parish community. If using information published on a website in researching your article, please cite author's name, if included, title of website article, the complete web address (URL), and date accessed. Send articles electronically to ht busmgr@sbcglobal.net.

- Sunday, January 27 – Potluck and presentation by Kettering Health Network Community Outreach entitled "Powerful Tools for Caregivers". There will be additional information in next Sunday's bulletin. Please join with us.

**Happy Birthday** to Anna Savino, long time parishioner, celebrating her 102nd birthday.

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

#### **Generous Contributions for December 30, 2018**

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$7,084.00 Charity: \$ 615.00

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

Our Sympathy is extended to the family of Velma Martin who was buried this week from St. Joseph Church. May she rest in the Peace of the Lord.

We will take the Christmas decorations down on January 14th following the noon Mass. All help is greatly appreciated.

Offertory statements will be sent to everyone who received one last year. If you would like a statement and don't receive one in the mail by January 18th please call the office 228-9272 and we'll be happy to send you one.

We are in need of people to serve at the altar for the 10:00 Mass on Sundays. This is a great way to serve the parish. Training is provided. Call the office at 228-9272 if you are able to help.

## God is Good...We Are Blessed

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

Katie Blauser Michael Culp Katharine Smolik Dolores Broerman Vanessa Padgett Karen Thomas Mooneen Caulfield Victors Polovskis Sharon Wenzel Kristina & John Cole Tony Riggs Diana Whittle

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

Rebekka Anders Michael Borgert John Carner Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles Gary Eilers Morgan Konsdorf

Cody Landers Greg Marcus Alex McGarvey Zachary McIntyre Matthew Melvin

David Musgrove Anthony Pelfrey Jessica Pruitt Susan Varmuza Justin Williams

## **Area Activities**

Athenaeum of Ohio, Lay Pastoral Ministry Spring Semester Visit Athenaeum.edu to learn about our spring semester classes for lay students (classes begin in January.) Students may still take advantage of a 25% discount on classes this term. Classes are on Saturdays at Sacred Heart Parish in McCartyville. This term we are offering the following classes at our Sacred Heart Location:

- LPC 123 Jesus, The Christ of Faith Jan12-Mar 23
- LPC 131 Evangelization & Social Media Mar 30-May 11
- LPC 132 Morality & Justice in Catholic Life Jan 12-May 11 To learn more contact Deacon Hal Belcher (419)305-5486 hbelcher001@woh.rr.com.

Catholic-Sponsored Divorcecare - It is not too late to join our divorce-recovery support group! A 13 week support group, held on Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm from Jan. 3 to Mar. 28; 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville. Cost: is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available. For more information, or to register, call Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 (Not a texting number) or mtoma@woh.rr.com. This support group deals with such recovery topics as anger, loneliness, new relationships, annulments, etc.

**Retrouvaille:** January 11-13 - The Retrouvaille Program helps couples restore and rebuild a loving relationship. It is for couples whose marriages are struggling, not communicating well, and those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. For more information visit www.cincyretrouvaille.org, HelpOurMarriage.com or call 513.456.5413.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: January 25-27- In the ups and downs of marriage, sometimes couples need a little something to snap themselves out of the downs. The communication technique and the other tools learned on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend are often just the remedies a couple needs. For more information or to register visit www.wwme.org or call 937.886.5196.

National Migration Week Event - Join Catholic Charities to hear how we can build communities of Welcome. Hear from those who have been separated from families, learn what life is like as a refugee and go forth with ideas of ways you can welcome your neighbors. January 10 at Good Shepherd Parish (8815 E. Kemper Rd.) at 6:00 p.m. For more information go to www.ccswoh.org.

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