

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

February 23, 2020

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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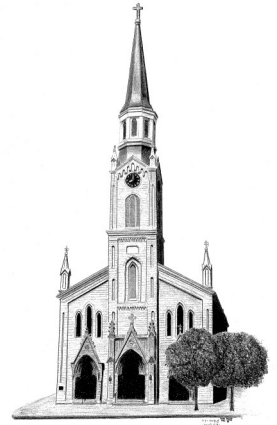
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 24

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Joe Bellino Family

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Michelle Goodman

Tuesday, February 25

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Bernard Kleimeier

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Rebecca & Jean Shampton

Wednesday, February 26

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Terbay & Ernst Families

12:00 AM St. Joseph.....Poor Souls

5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

6:00 PM Holy Trinity.....L. Maxine Baldasare

Thursday, February 27

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Chris & Linda C.

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Ruth & Robert Deschler

Friday, February 28

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Dolores Kappeler

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Gerry Gillotti

Saturday, February 29

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members

Izor & Korn Families

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mike Leo

4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

5:15 PM Emmanuel.....Damian Gripp

Sunday, March 1

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Michael Vore

10:30 AM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Larry & Tina Harris

Next Week's Readings:

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23;
Mt 5:38-48

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

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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.

Respect Life Rosary 2nd Sunday of the month after 8:30
Mass at Holy Trinity.

To Register for any parish please contact the parish office

For Baptisms, Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound
please contact your parish office.

BR. MATT SCHAEFER'S PEN

In today's Gospel passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gives us three commands—*turn the other cheek, love your enemy, and be perfect*—that seems to be unfair, challenging, and impossible. The first two can be quite confusing because they seem to go against our basic sense of fairness and decency. I have a lot of good memories of my eight years in Catholic school. There was a lot of fun and fellowship in those “They’ll Know We Are Christians” 1970’s. A few bad memories I have involved a bully I’ll call Eddie. He attended our school for about four years, during which time he wreaked havoc on dozens of students. It was difficult to figure why he lashed out at other boys—fights erupted without any provocation or warning. Eddie was even worse around girls. All of them were scared of him and it is no exaggeration to say he terrorized a few of them. Eddie never bothered me; for some reason he thought we were friends. I felt bad for the kids that Eddie bullied, but I always felt sorry for Eddie, too. He had no friends and from what I could see his family life was terrible. However, no one was turning the other cheek for Eddie; most kids fought back, not in order to harm him, but to protect themselves. And as for loving their common enemy, Eddie was impossible to like, much less to love.

I’ve never been persecuted or oppressed and I’ve never had an enemy. I’ve been treated badly by a few people at specific times in my life, but I didn’t hate these people or anyone else. I suspect very few people actually harbor hateful feelings. So, is Jesus’ message only meant for those people? I think it speaks to all of us. Most of us may not have any enemies attacking us, but what about those people who have hurt us, or those who annoy us, or those with whom we disagree. Do we judge and denigrate them, if only in our minds. Jesus is not saying we should have the exact same affectionate love for our enemies (or for every other human being on earth) that we have for our family and friends. The issue is that when we put the people whom we love in a higher position than everyone else, where does that leave the rest? No person, no group, no nationality, no religion should be second class in our minds. Whenever I’m tempted to judge someone, I try to imagine what God thinks of that person. Would God focus only on that person’s mistakes, misdeeds, or sins? Does God see certain people as having less value and dignity than others? Like the late-coming workers in the vineyard, these people deserve just as much as anyone else—indeed, maybe even more mercy and understanding.

Eddie’s attacks on others were bad, but what made it even worse was that he did this in the midst of so much good. He disrupted the friendly, Christian atmosphere of our school. And when we react in vengeful, hurtful, or violent ways to the wrongs that we suffer, we are disrupting the Reign of God that Jesus calls us to build. Did God approve of Eddie’s actions? Absolutely not. Did God have compassion, understanding, and love for Eddie? Absolutely yes! This is the perfection that Jesus calls us to. Not unfailing moral perfection, but striving to orient our thoughts, actions, and lives toward being as loving as God is. Some years ago, the phrase “What Would Jesus Do?” became a bit of a fad. In light of the Sermon on the Mount, a good motto for all of us might be, “How Does God Love?” If we were to practice this kind of love, it might become a habit, and then a way of life. And wouldn’t that be the perfect gift to show our gratitude to the perfect Creator.

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule February 26, 2020

Emmanuel Church: 7:30 AM Mass and 5:15 PM Mass

St. Joseph Church: 12:00 Noon Mass with Stations

Holy Trinity Church: 12:15 PM Communion Service with ashes and 6:00 PM Mass

Lenten Reminders of Fast and Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, February 26 and Good Friday, April 10, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97, 1252).

Lenten Bible Series, the Gospel of Matthew. Monday, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the K of C Dayton Council 500 Hall 267 Bainbridge St., Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus Council 500 and Downtown Dayton Parishes. Presenter: Dennie Stieritz. Attend the sessions of your choice. Guests are welcome. Please bring your Bible

Lunch with the Lord Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 - noon-12:50pm. Bring a brown bag lunch and come pray, learn and share the Sunday Gospel readings from Matthew during Lent.

Lenten Young Adult Book Study: Liturgy of the Ordinary Curious how brushing your teeth, losing your keys, or fighting with your spouse can become an act of prayer? Join other young adults, 20s and 30s (single, married, or with children), this Lent with reading *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life*. This six-week study will meet after 11:30am Mass at Holy Trinity every Sunday. Book cost \$10. To register and/or have questions email Shaughn Phillips at sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com.

Youth Retreat! The 21st Annual Life in the Spirit Seminar is being held on March 20th-22nd at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. This retreat is open to all teens and young adults who want to deepen and experience their Catholic Faith. Come and enjoy a weekend full of friends, fun and Faith! To register call Fr. Matt at Holy Trinity 937-228-1223 or St. Joseph’s 937-228-9272. Questions, call Kelly Horstman 419-678-8649.

Catholic Men's Fellowship! Calling all men of Region VII! Want to participate in fellowship with other Catholic men? We would like to form a Catholic Men's Fellowship Group that will meet once a month on a weekday in the morning before most of us have to be at work. We will engage in fellowship and guided discussions on modern day challenges in our faith journey. This will not be a Bible Study, but a chance to use our faith and each other in our walk as fathers, husbands, and friends. We are trying to gauge interest in establishing such a group, so if you are interested, email Scott Paulson paulson.scott@gmail.com or Deacon Baldwin, deaconrobaldwin@gmail.com.

This week we begin the 2020 Virtual Lenten Pilgrimage in Asia. According to U.S. Catholic, Faith in Real Life, 11/09/12, “For centuries Asia has been home to peoples of many cultures and religions... The Asian experience of poverty, family, and community transcends cultural and religious boundaries.” The Catholic Church in Asia “is all-encompassing and inclusive ...In a globalized world wracked by poverty, violence, tensions, and division, a church for all peoples serves as a counterforce for harmony, an institution for transformation, and a home for all.”

Missionary priests from Europe were first recorded in Asia in the 13th century. Since then, countless missions continue under difficult conditions. Currently, Maryknoll Missionaries (Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and Lay Missioners) work in Catholic Asian missions, including East Asia, China, Japan and Korea. These countries are the focus of our Pilgrimage this year. Missionaries of the Precious Blood, Kansas City Province, minister in Vietnam, one of our pilgrimage stops. Please find the Lenten Pilgrimage information flyer in this bulletin.

Best Lent Ever...It’s 40-days of bite-sized material for Lent offers a great, inspiring video each morning during Lent. Sign up at: BestLentEver.com.

Formed: Lenten Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray. This Lenten season, join FORMED Daily for video reflections from scripture expert Dr. Tim Gray. Register at Formed.org/lent.

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Rebekka Anders	Nicholas Kern	David Musgrove
Yves Benimana	Morgan Konsdorf	Diane Nyirasimbi
Michael Borgert	Cody Landers	Anthony Pelfrey
John Carner	Greg Marcus	Jessica Pruitt
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Alex McGarvey	Aimee Storm
Jon Chachula	Zachary McIntyre	Susan Varmuza
Laura Chachula	Matthew Melvin	Justin Williams
Gary Eilers		

Catholic Marriage Date Night and Learning - Come and join us for an ongoing series of Date Nights coupled with Marriage Enrichment Skills. We will be learning from a new and exciting Catholic marriage enrichment curriculum called "Discovering Our Deepest Desire" (DODD) in a seven-part series called "Building a Eucharistic Marriage." The series will be presented by the author, Greg Schutte, MSW, LISW-S. Classes begin March 9 from 6:30-8:30 pm and run for seven Mondays (skipping Easter Monday) in the Emmanuel School Building. To register call Greg Schutte 937-262-7010. To learn more about the DODD program visit www.ourdeepestdesire.com.

Please join us for lunch and a discussion on vocations on Sunday, March 1st in the Emmanuel school building. An optional lunch will be served at 12 noon, followed by games and fellowship. From 2 pm - 4pm there will be a panel discussion on the vocations of marriage, priesthood, and religious life.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7,980.00	\$ 5,828.00
St. Vincent DePaul		\$ 582.80
YTD excess or (deficit):		\$17,424.00

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

Prayer List

Teresa Bond	George Hendrix	Phil Pich
Daniel Branch	Virginia Hicks	Phyllis Rieger
Bernard Chachula	Thomas Ledinsky	Mike Riahle
Michael Dalessio	Judy Marks	Tony Rocco
Rick Emerick	Mike McDonald	Eric Rosenthal
Annette & John Fohl	Patrick McDonald	Randy Rosenthal
Helen	Wayne Meny	Molly Schneider
Cindy Gardina	Michael Mustaine	Joyce Schulze
Craig & Mary Hathaway	Brian Napier	Jan Timerding

Stations of the Cross each Friday Evening during Lent at 7:00pm.

The 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from February 26th to April 4th. 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.

Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction Join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm for the Miraculous Medal Novena, church doors open 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 February 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$4,072.00
YTD excess or (deficit):		\$ 62.01

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Fish Fry Tickets available after Mass today in the back of church. Our Fish and Sausage Fry is Saturday, February 29. As always we welcome your help. We need baked goods, silent auction items and assistance with the games and raffles. Interested? Call TT Gambrell (903-7538), Tracy Walsh (559-2320). Barb Gilbert (673-4616) is especially in need of help in the kitchen. Please give her a call if you are willing.

Parking patrol for St. Patrick's Day. If you can help with parking on March 16 and 17, please call Ron at 937-253-2344 and offer your assistance.

Jubilee

Stations of the Cross, also called The Way of the Cross, portrays the events of the last day in the Passion of Christ, from his condemnation by Pontius Pilate to his entombment. As we meditate on the suffering of Jesus, we are reminded that our personal trials carry a deeper purpose. We are drawn more fully into the life of Christ. Please join us on Friday, March 6 at 7:00 p.m. as Jubilee leads the praying of the Stations of the Cross.

This year, the monies collected from the free-offerings will be sent to aid those affected by the Dayton tornados of May 2019.

Dorothy Lane Market has a Good Neighbor program. If you shop there and scan your Club DLM Card you can select a non profit to be credited with your purchase through the Good Neighbor Program. Please add Holy Trinity Catholic Church as your nonprofit of choice now at: www.dorothylane.com/good_neighbor.

We are in need of additional youth servers as well as Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion for the 11:30 Mass. If you are interested please call Judi at the parish office.

Parish Council Elections take place in May, but in preparation for this we are seeking interested parishioners who would like to serve in a leadership position here at the parish. Would you like to throw your hat in the ring? To see what the duties of Council members are, go to holytrinitydayton.org, select Parish Pastoral Council and look over the duties of the various commission. If you are interested in placing your name in nomination, please call Judi at the parish office 228-1223.

Our Lenten Almsgiving this year will be for the Food Pantry at Emmanuel. If you would like to donate non perishable food items, please bring them to the boxes at the back of church. If you would rather donate money to the cause, please place it in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and put it in the collection basket. Thank you!

Boiler Fund Update:

Goal: \$73,000

Pledged/collected: \$69,155.00

We are inching our way toward the goal only \$3,845.00 to go! Can you help us?

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$6,549.00
Charity: \$ 161.00

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We welcome into our parish family Gabriella Musgrove. Child of Alex and Stephanie Musgrove who will be baptized on Sunday.

Please be considerate of others around you at Mass. Many people suffer from allergies and perfumes and colognes are especially challenging when sitting next to someone in church.

If you would like to schedule Masses to be said for living and deceased family and friends please call the office 937-228-9272.

Welcome to our new parishioners Nicholas and Elizabeth Miller and son Orson. We're delighted you've decided to join us.

Thank you to the parishioners who are participating in the Dorothy Lane Market Good Neighbor Program. We received a check in the mail for \$97.72 from Dorothy Lane Market this week. If you would like to participate go to www.dorothylane.com/goodneighbor and link your club card with St. Joseph Church. Thank you!

From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"I have not failed;
I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."
—Thomas Edison

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Call the rectory if you would like to be added to the prayer list.

Cheryl Anderson	Catherine DeMange	Tony Riggs
Katie Blauser	Rita Downs	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Bob Bruns	Christine Durr	Karen Thomas
Mooneen Caulfield	Bennett Hart	Sharon Wenzel
Kristina Cole	Vanessa Padgett	Mark Williams
Michael Culp	Victors Polovskis	

Area Activities

Life Love and Personal Fulfillment - A young adult (Ages 18-35) retreat with Father Nathan Cromly, March 1, From 8 am to 6:00 pm at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Retreat Center, 5440 Moeller Ave, Norwood, OH. Register at eagleeyeministries.brushfire.com. Scholarships available.

The Athenaeum of Ohio, Mount Saint Mary's Seminary

Are you are thinking about a more active role in the parish or community? Are you discerning the Diaconate? Perhaps you are interested in enriching your own faith life? The Athenaeum of Ohio offers lay theological and ministry formation through our non-degreed certificate in pastoral ministry. We welcome your call or email to learn more. Contact us at 512.231.1200 or email: byoder@athenaeum.edu or smgurgan@athenaeum.edu to learn how you can attend Saturday classes at St. Christopher Parish in Vandalia.

Dayton Right to Life Open House: Saturday, February 29, 10am-12pm at 425 N Findlay St. You're invited! Join us on Leap Day, February 29, as we kick off our "Leap for Life 2020" initiative! Tour the Stork's Nest Baby Pantry and be a part of LIFE happenings throughout 2020. RSVP by Monday February 24 by calling 937-461-3625 or emailing info@daytonlife.org.

Retrouvaille...A Lifeline for Married Couples. If your marriage could use a little help in building a better relationship, Retrouvaille can help you learn tools for healthy communication, building intimacy and healing. Our next retreat weekend is March 27-29, 2020. The dates of the fall retreat are September 11-13, 2020. For more information contact: www.cincyretrouvaille.org or www.retrouvaille.org or call 513-456-5413.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage & Mission Trip: Fr. Ethan Moore will lead a retreat and mission trip for high school and college students to Mexico City and the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe this summer June 6-12. For trip details and registration, please visit <http://www.4mary.org/> or email tim@4Mary.org.

The St. Christopher Women's Prayer Group invites you to a Healing Mass, Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:00 p.m.. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., St. Christopher Church, 435 E. National Road, Vandalia.

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