

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

March 15, 2020

3rd Sunday of Lent

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S.

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Matthew Keller, C.P.P.S.

In residence: 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 16

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Tom & Gerry Eden
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Dayton Council 500 Family
& Friends

Tuesday, March 17

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Patrick Mazzone
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Kristina Cole

Wednesday, March 18

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Mary Ann Troutman
12:00 AM St. Joseph.....Dick Antolini

Thursday, March 19

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John R. Braun
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Ann Folfas

Friday, March 20

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Natalie Moore
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Reichert & Thomas Families

Saturday, March 21

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Ron Schlater
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Richard Jose Romero
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Tim Flynn
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Sunday, March 22

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Tom & Renate Schommer
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Anna Polo
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

Next Week's Readings:

Exodus 17:3-7; Psalm 95:1-2,6-9; Romans 5:1-2,5-8; John 4:5-42

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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Dennis Pyles, Maintenance

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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.

PASTOR'S PEN

The gospel readings for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of Lent are especially beautiful this year. They set the scene for the scrutinies celebrated with the Elect of the Church, those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. The scrutinies are also a source of renewal for all of us on our journey of faith as we prepare to renew our Baptismal promises at Easter.

During these weeks we are invited to examine our lives in light of the gospel. What are the areas that are weak, defective or sinful? Where am I being called to leave my old self behind?

Three significant symbols of our faith will guide us: WATER as we meet Jesus and the woman at the well, LIGHT--through the healing of the man born blind and LIFE--revealed in the raising of Lazarus. In these symbols we will find an invitation to grow deeper in our faith, a call to renew and strengthen our belief in Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

In today's gospel Jesus is tired and thirsty from his travel through the desert land and stops at Jacob's well. This scene is very unusual because Jesus is talking to a Samaritan woman, in public, at an hour when it appears that she was trying to avoid the morning crowd. In the time of Jesus, respected teachers were not to be seen in public with women and certainly not talking to them, especially a Samaritan, because there was terrible animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans.

In this encounter, Jesus is inviting the woman to see her true reflection in the new water of life that Jesus alone can offer. Why do you think Jesus would use water to symbolize his relationship with us? Think of how important water is; we know it is essential for life, especially in the desert region where Jesus lived. So to, we need Jesus in order to have life.

Notice, that when Jesus sat down next to the well he didn't just listen to the words of the woman, he listened to what she was not saying, inviting her to go more deeply into the desert of her life and to embrace her thirst, her emptiness.

Today, Jesus sits down with us and calls us to identify our thirst. Ask yourself, "What am I thirsty for?" Has a relationship stopped growing and you feel all alone? Is your work stale and unexciting? Do you feel drained or empty inside? Like the woman at the well we are invited to grow in faith and to find new life in Christ.

As Jesus offers living water to the woman at the well, her hardened heart is softened, and her life is transformed. Jesus seeks to do the same for us today. Listen to the rhythm of your life. Jesus comes to cleanse and transform our wounds, our failures, our hunger, our pain and brokenness. What needs to change in my life so that I can receive the new life of Christ?

God's gifts are with us in abundance. The gift of the Mass, our Eucharistic celebration, is like a deep well of life-giving water. Here we pause to have a conversation with Jesus; to have the thirsts of our lives quenched by the one who says to us: "*Whoever drinks the water I give will never be thirsty again.*" "Put your trust, your hope, indeed your very life into my hands and never be thirsty again."

This gift is not just for us, it is meant to be shared. The Samaritan woman became the first missionary in the Gospel of John. She comes to believe that Jesus is the Messiah and through her witness--many more come to believe. Through baptism we are sent as missionaries to give witness to our belief in Jesus Christ. Who is thirsty around you? What will you give them to drink?

This week why not tie a ribbon around your faucet? Whenever you use water to drink, to wash, to cook, to clean...think of Jesus and the living water he has given us. Be reminded of the water of Baptism and your identity as a child of God. Allow the refreshing words of Jesus to pour over your heart--giving hope, strength, peace and joy.

REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement Regarding Public Health Concerns

In light of the Governor's directives regarding the Coronavirus and the guidelines offered by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati we have made the decision to implement the following liturgical adjustments beginning this weekend at all the Masses in our pastoral region. First, we will suspend exchanging the Sign of Peace during Mass. Secondly, in our parishes that normally offer the Precious Blood we will suspend the sharing of the cup during Mass. These changes are a temporary response to the current public health concerns.

Remember, if you are sick you are not obligated to attend Mass, please stay home as an act of charity for others. For our elderly brothers and sisters or those with chronic health issues, you too are not obligated to attend Mass during these times of public health concerns. Offering prayers at home and watching Mass on the television would be an acceptable way of honoring the Lord's Day.

We are hearing the term "Social distancing" these days, a practice that is used to help slow or stop the spread of highly contagious diseases. For those gathering for Mass please be respectful of one another's personal space when offering a greeting. A wave, a smile or nod of the head may be someone's choice of communication.

As always, be attentive to personal hygiene; frequently washing our hands and keeping our environment clean will be a blessing for all of us. Please pray for those affected by the current outbreak of illness that the Lord will bring healing and peace into their lives and for wisdom, understanding and strength for all scientist, health professionals and public officials serving the common good in this difficult time.

The Light is On for You - Tuesday, March 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Rediscover the peace of Christ found uniquely in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Unload any burdens you may be carrying in your heart. No matter how long it has been since your last Confession, we welcome you home with open arms! All three of our parishes will be open that night. Please join us . . . the light is on for you!

Lenten Bible Series - The Gospel According to Matthew Have you ever read one of the Gospels from beginning to end? With your Bible in one hand, an outline of the text in the other, and a map plus visuals of the Holy Land as your guides, meet Jesus again (or maybe for the first time) through Matthew's stunning proclamation of the Good News. Mondays, March 16, 23, 30 from 6:30-8:30 pm, Presenter - Dennie Stieritz, K of C Dayton Council 500 Hall, 267 Bainbridge St., guests are welcome, please bring your Bible.

Lenten Pilgrimage: Shenyang, China

The Maryknoll Missionary Program **Young Adult Evangelization and Formation**, ministers to college students in Mainland China including two colleges in Shenyang. This work includes primary evangelization, encouraging students to volunteer in the community and mentoring them while they are at university. Maryknoll priests help local Chinese priests and sisters who graduated from the Maryknoll Formation Program in the United States through visits and a support network. They also assist Chinese sisters in Shenyang with their community farm of sustainable agriculture.

Reflection: Take Lord and receive my heart: the words of faith that I speak, the works of justice I would do, my joys and sufferings. When I come to the Eucharistic table, gather my offerings to your own for the life of the world.

Last weeks Exercise Miles totaled 238: Total Exercise miles 391 and Spiritual miles 845. The combined total 1185. Great job everyone.

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		

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 week-end 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.

Lunch with the Lord Wednesdays, March 18 and 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@daytontowntowncatholic.com.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 8, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7,980.00	\$ 7,925.00
St. Vincent DePaul		\$ 795.50
YTD excess or (deficit):		\$16,290.00

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

Prayer List

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

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

Tuesday Night Novena For the next three weeks our Novena prayer will include a special Lenten reflection by Deacon Rusty on the Scrutinies of the Church drawing upon the images found in Sunday's gospel reading. Please join us at 7:00 PM in church for prayer and reflection with the Lord.

VIRTUS Monthly Bulletins... Please check your account to make sure it is active. Simply go to www.virtus.org to log in and on the far right side of the page under "Training Bulletin Report," click on "Click here to see your complete report." If you have questions please call or email Brother Matt, brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 8, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$4,230.16
YTD excess or (deficit):		(\$ 264.48)

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.
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Our Lenten Reconciliation and Soup Social is Sunday, March 29 at 12:45 p.m. Please join with in prayer, song and the sacrament of Reconciliation. Following the service, we will have a simple meal of soup and bread in Trinity Center.

Spring Annual and Perennial Plant Sale order forms are in this bulletin. If you would like to see pictures of the particular plants, go to our webpage or check out the pictures on the tables at the back of church. All orders must be received prepaid by April 13. No extra plants will be ordered this year.

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 11 at noon for all children 10 years of age and younger. To prepare for this big event we will again rely on the generosity of our parishioners to fill plastic eggs with wrapped candies or tiny toys for the children to find and fill their baskets. Please do not go out and purchase plastic eggs, just stop by the parish office and pick some up. We have more than enough to satisfy the wants of our children. Thank you!

Save the Dates: Need a boost to your Lenten devotions? Lunch with the Lord returns during Lent. All are invited to bring a brown bag lunch to Holy Trinity parish office from 12:00-12:45 p.m., as we break open the Gospel lesson for the following Sunday. Our leaders for the remaining sessions are: Mary Cummins Wlodarski – March 18; Jan Reed – March 25 and Dennie Steiritz on April 1. Please join us as we enjoy lunch, learning, fellowship and prayer.

Our Parish Pastoral Council meets Wednesday, March 18, 6:00 p.m. in the parish office building. Have you given any thought to placing your name in nomination for a position on the Council? We meet the third Wednesday of each month (except July and December) at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to see what is involved in each commission, go to our webpage Holytrinitydayton.org, select Parish Pastoral Council from the menu on the left and read about the different commissions. If you are interested in placing your name in nomination, please email busmgr.holytrinity@gmail.com.

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!

Easter Flowers for the Sanctuary – Donations are being accepted to purchase flowers for the sanctuary for the Easter Season. If you would like to donate in the memory of a loved one, for prayers answered or just to beautify the church, put your offering in an envelope and your intention and place in the offertory collection. Please mark the envelope "Easter flowers".

Attention All Seniors and Those Who Love Them. Learn how to protect yourself from scams and fraud. Join us Saturday, March 21 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. in Trinity Center to hear a speaker from the Better Business Bureau give us important information on how to do this. All are welcome.

Boiler Fund Update: Goal: \$73,000
Pledged/collected: \$70,805.00
We are inching our way toward the goal only \$2,195.00 to go! Can you help us?
We are inching our way toward the goal, \$2,195.00 to go!

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 8, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$5,864.50
Charity: \$ 440.00

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Potluck Dinner

We're planning a potluck dinner on April 4th following the 4:30p.m. Mass in the school cafeteria. Please bring a dish to share. All are welcome.

Feast of St. Patrick, March 17th—A special Mass honoring St. Patrick will be held on Tuesday. Irish music will begin at 11:30 am.

Feast of St. Joseph, March 19th - This Thursday we will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph with the blessing and distribution of bread at the noon Mass. Praying through the intercession of our Patron Saint we say: "Blessed Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the Child Jesus as your Son, you rescued Him from the danger of death. Defend the Church, the household of God, purchased by the Blood of Christ." Amen.

Eucharistic Adoration each Saturday of Lent. During the season of Lent please join us for some quiet time with the Lord following the noon Mass until 4:00 PM. Come, spend an hour with the Lord.

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

Cheryl Anderson	Michael Culp	Victors Polovskis
Ken Belcher	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

Area Activities

Legion of Mary Consecration ceremony, the Acies, will be held with a rosary and benediction 3:15 p.m., Sunday, March 22, followed by a light reception at St. Matthias Church, 1050 West Kemper Road, Cincinnati, OH. All are welcome. Rsvp by Monday, March 16, to Gloria Dodd, 937-999-1263 (cell).

Mary in Miniature: Books of Hours in the Marian Library's Collection—Books of Hours - devotional books centered on a series of prayers to the Virgin Mary - were the best-selling book in Europe for over 300 years. This exhibit highlights their art, their text and their unique features. Open through July 17, free and open to the public, weekday hours: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (closed April 10, May 25, July 3), weekend hours: 1-4 p.m. Saturday, June 13. Marian Library Gallery (seventh floor of Roesch Library UD campus). Parking, directions and additional information: udayton.edu/marianlibrary. Group tours and special arrangements: 937-229-4214 or marianlibrary@udayton.edu.

Cincinnati Catholic Men's Conference: ATTENTION men, fathers and sons! The Cincinnati Catholic Men's Conference is Saturday, April 25th, 2020 at St. Susanna Catholic Church. Get your ticket today for A Faith-filled half-day where men from all over the tri-state will enjoy Catholic inspiration and spiritual growth. Speakers include Super Bowl Champ, Elvis Grbac; National Priests for Life Founder, Fr. Frank Pavone and Ruah Woods Founder/JTM CEO, Tony Maas. Get complete information on the conference and purchase tickets at www.CincinnatiMensConference.com.

CJ Fish Fry—Saturday, March 21; 6-11 p.m.

Guests 21 years old and over are invited to enjoy food, games and basketball on the big screens! Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and games start at 7 p.m. Pre-sale is \$18 or \$20 at the door. Register at cjeagles.org.

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. Contact us at 512-231-1200 or email: byoder@athenaeum.edu or smgurgan@athenaeum.edu.

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