

# Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

May 3, 2020

## 4th Sunday of Easter

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### Mass Intentions

*While no public Masses are being celebrated, the Priests will continue to offer your Mass Intentions in a private Mass daily:*

***Please Note:*** Sunday Mass will be live streamed every Sunday at 10:00am via the link on our parish websites. Weekday Masses are also live streamed at 8:00am.

#### Monday, May 4

Holy Trinity.....Charlotte Mergler

St. Joseph.....Paul & Phyllis Creager

#### Tuesday, May 5

Holy Trinity.....Peter Silvinski

St. Joseph.....Jerry A. Gray

#### Wednesday, May 6

Emmanuel.....Intention of Christopher McDonald

St. Joseph.....Florence Kuntz

#### Thursday, May 7

Emmanuel.....Kathy Smolik

St. Joseph.....John Folfas Sr.

#### Friday, May 8

Emmanuel.....Andrew Kleinhenz

St. Joseph.....Florence & Russell Donauer

#### Saturday, May 9

Emmanuel.....Eleanor Braun

St. Joseph.....Gerald & Stephen Gillotti

St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

Emmanuel.....Alfred & Virginia Landis

#### Sunday, May 10

Holy Trinity.....Magdalena Moorman

St. Joseph.....Living & deceased members of the  
McCarthy family

Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

#### Next Week's Readings:

Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

#### Confessions:

St. Joseph Church - Monday - Saturday 11:30-12:30

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#### Church buildings open the following times for private prayer:

Holy Trinity: Mon—Tues. 7:30-9:30am

Emmanuel: Wed-Sat. 7:30-9:30am

St. Joseph: Mon-Sat. 11:30am-2:00pm

## PASTOR'S PEN



### Mary, Vessel of Holiness

The month of May is traditionally dedicated to honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is a model of discipleship that we can follow as we journey in faith. As Queen of Humility, she is an important teacher for us in this time of uncertainty. She teaches us to empty ourselves and to place our trust in God.

In the tradition of Eastern Spirituality there is a proverb that goes like this:

“The value of a bowl is in its emptiness.” There is some practical wisdom found in this proverb. When we need a bowl or a dish we do not choose one that is filled with other things, we reach for the bowl that is empty. If the bowl we want to use is filled then we pour out whatever is inside of it so that we can use the empty bowl.

This proverb would also be true of the spiritual life as well. We are called to empty ourselves so that we can be worthy vessels of holiness in the hands of God. The Blessed Virgin Mary was such a person. She emptied herself so that God could fill her with life. In Mary's Magnificat we hear: “I am the maidservant of the Lord. Let it be done to me as you say.”

All too often the vessels of our hearts and minds are filled with so much stuff...worry, jealousy, pride, arrogance, false humility, pornographic images, anger, resentment, unforgiveness, the need to control, issues from our families of origin, disappointments, poor self-image, an over loaded schedule, unrealistic expectations, questions and doubt. There are so many things that fill the vessel of our heart. It is amazing how quickly we fill up with our own agendas and find ourselves overwhelmed.

The call to empty ourselves is basic to the spiritual journey. Like a grain of wheat, we must die to self so that we can live in Christ. This is not something that we can do just once in a lifetime. It is something that we must tend to every day. If we are too full of our own agenda and concerns then there is no room for God's grace to work within us. If our lives are filled to the brim with things to do then we will not be able to hear God's call in our lives.

Mary's yes was the fruit of a lifetime of making a place for God in her life. At the time of the Annunciation she could trust God's invitation to be the mother of Jesus because she had trusted God all her life. Each small yes to God was leading her to this unimaginable request. What is important to remember is that Mary's yes came one step at a time.

It reminds me of a story about Amy and her younger sister Amelia who had just been told that she had a serious brain tumor that could not be removed by surgery. The doctors told the family that hard times were ahead for all of them and that Amelia might have to be institutionalized because she could become violent. When Amy heard this news, she fell apart. Then her mother sat her down and said, “Now look Amy.” “You are all upset about something that hasn't happened and may never happen. You can't live tomorrow's crosses on today's graces.”

To be a Vessel of Holiness means that we are able to empty ourselves of the need to control everything and to trust in God! Through the presence of the Holy Spirit we have all we need to respond to today's experiences. Whatever comes our way we know in faith that God is going to give us the help we need at that time. We pray through the intercession of our Blessed Mother that we may continually strive to be vessels of holiness, worthy instruments of discipleship in the hands of God for the life of the world.

## FR. MATT'S REFLECTION

Today is the 4th Sunday of Easter. Today is not only the 4th Sunday of Easter but today is also referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday and World Day of Prayer for Vocations. In our scriptures today we hear Jesus give a description of who and what a shepherd is. Jesus says that a shepherd enters through the gate, he calls his sheep by name and they come to him. A shepherd also leads the sheep and the sheep follow him. According to Jesus this is what a shepherd is and Jesus is a shepherd.

Jesus refers to himself as being a shepherd in our scriptures today as a way of saying this is how much he loves and care for us. But really, this image of shepherd is an image that flows throughout all the scriptures and is used to show us how much our God loves and cares for us. Psalm 23 is a common passage of God being referred to as a shepherd.

If our God cares for us in the same way that a shepherd cares for his sheep, that would mean that we are the sheep. And you know, to be referred to as being a sheep is not the greatest compliment. I mean sheep are not the smartest of animals and in some ways kind of stupid. Then again, I can imagine God saying the same thing about us. While this image may not be the greatest compliment it is an image that we can visualize and understand. This shepherding image helps us to better understand God's love for us.

God cares for us the way a shepherd cares for his sheep. And, just how does a shepherd care for his sheep? I've never met a shepherd before but I did grow up surrounded by dairy farmers. I grew up living next door to my Uncle Gary and his family and I closely observed how they cared for their cows. It was a 24-7, 365 days a year job, milking twice a day, often having to leave family parties early or coming late, always making sure the animals have proper bedding, food, water, and making sure they were healthy. The work is endless. And it is with this care that God takes care of us and it is with this care that we are called to care for each other.

Today is Good Shepherd and we are called to pray for vocations. For many the focus is on praying for vocations to the priesthood, but really, regardless of what vocation we are called to we are called to care for someone.

And sometimes in caring we are forced to make difficult and painful decisions maybe a husband or wife make the choice to send their spouse to rehab, a parent not letting a child do something that could be harmful to their safety or health, a religious superior taking the car keys from an elderly brother or sister, or even the bishops choosing to cancel Masses during this health crisis. All of these decisions are difficult to make. No one ever wants to ever have to make these decisions for another person; sometimes it is the most difficult thing one ever has to do. Yet at times it is necessary to save life when it seems like it is destroying life.

And for us, who are not in position to make such decisions, it is easy to be critical about such decisions that are made. It is not to say it is wrong to be hurt or upset about the decisions that have been made. Particularly in response to this health crisis, it does hurt not being able to come to Mass or to have that event you have been looking forward to be canceled. But I think it is equally important for us to be thankful we are not in a position where we have to make these decisions.

Let's face it making such decisions is not an easy place to be. Those making these decisions are looking out for what is really best for us.

## REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Announcement Regarding Public Masses

Out of deep concern for the common good as well as the physical and spiritual well-being of all the people of Ohio, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio have agreed to extend the temporary suspension of all publicly celebrated Masses/liturgies ending on May 29th, with the hope of publicly celebrating together the Solemnity of Pentecost on the weekend of May 30/31. The bishops have dispensed the Catholic faithful who reside in Ohio or are visiting the state from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass during this time. The bishops ask for the cooperation and adherence of all the faithful to the governor's directives during this period.

This decision has not been taken lightly and, as your bishops, together with you, we recognize the sacrifice we are called to make being physically distanced from the Holy Eucharist and from one another. We encourage you to keep holy the Lord's day by participating in Sunday Mass via radio broadcast, televised or livestreamed options and making a spiritual communion.

We pray for all affected by the COVID 19 pandemic and rely on the Motherly care of Our Lady, Health of the Sick as we unite our sufferings to those of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and we trust in the glorious hope of His Resurrection. (The complete text of the Bishops' letter can be found at the end of our digital bulletin or on the parish website.)

### World Day of Prayer for Vocations on May 3rd

For the past 56 years, every Pope has asked Catholics worldwide to pray for vocations on the Fourth Sunday of Easter which is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Will you fervently ask the Lord for more young men and women to answer the call to priesthood and religious life? We have provided some prayers and a coloring page at the end of today's digital bulletin for you to use in promoting vocations to priesthood and religious life.

### Vocation Prayer for Families

Lord Jesus Christ, we bring to You in prayer the children of our family. Give them hearts open to hear Your voice. Help them to be generous in responding to Your call. Give them the grace to persevere in overcoming all the pressures in our world that keep them from embracing and truly living their vocation.

Graciously grant we parents a living faith and an ardent love, which will inspire our children to live holy lives. May we genuinely encourage and foster the God-given vocations of our children and help them to respond generously. Let us rejoice when a child of ours is called to be a priest or religious. Amen.



#GivingTuesdayNow

"For it is in Giving that We Receive"

- Saint Francis of Assisi

May 5 as an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19. Non-profits around the world will be participating, including our local Catholic ministries and parishes.

### Giving Tuesday Now

We invite you to be a part of [#GivingTuesdayNow](#), which is a new global day of giving and unity taking place on

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

Rebekka Anders  
Yves Benimana  
Michael Borgert  
John Carner  
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles  
Jon Chachula  
Laura Chachula  
Gary Eilers

Nicholas Kern  
Morgan Konsdorf  
Cody Landers  
Greg Marcus  
Alex McGarvey  
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David Musgrove  
Diane Nyirasimbi  
Anthony Pelfrey  
Jessica Pruitt  
Aimee Storm  
Susan Varmuza  
Justin Williams

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for April 26, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$8,419.00
St Vincent de Paul:	\$ 841.90

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

### Prayer List

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

**Thank you** for continuing to support Emmanuel Church by mailing in your contributions. Your support is greatly appreciated during these challenging times.

**History of Emmanuel Catholic Church...**an Audio/Video Presentation of Part 1 of "The History of Emmanuel Catholic Church", with voice-over by Deacon Rusty, has been added to our parish website, [www.emmanuelcatholic.com](http://www.emmanuelcatholic.com).

### From the Joyful Noiseletter:

Sign outside Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Polk City, IA:  
"God's garden: Lettuce be kind, squash gossip, and turnip for church."  
— via Rev. Dale Schoening, Madrid, IA

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for April 26, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$1,575.00

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**Plant Sale Pickup** is Thursday, May 7 between 4 and 6 p.m. in the parking lot at Holy Trinity. Please keep in mind social distancing and remain in your car until it is your turn to load your flowers. Plant pickup is only for those who placed orders, there are no extras.

**Thank you** to everyone who continues to donate to Holy Trinity. Your offering and support is greatly appreciated during this time of uncertainty. There are a couple of ways you can continue to support the parish during this pandemic. You can go online at [HolyTrinityDayton.org](http://HolyTrinityDayton.org) to sign up for online giving, or mail your donations to the parish office. Your contributions are very much appreciated!

**Join us for "Giving Tuesday Now" on May 5th.** You can participate in this program by going to our parish website and making your donation in support of Holy Trinity Church. Thank you!

**The parish office** is closed but voice mail is being checked throughout the day. Please leave a message and someone will get back to you.

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for April 26, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection  
\$4,347.00  
Charity: \$ 140.00

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Frs. Angelo and Matt*

**The church** will be open for private prayer Monday through Saturday from 11:00—2:00 with Exposition and Confessions from 11:30-12:30.

**Please visit the website** [www.stjosephdayton.org](http://www.stjosephdayton.org) and Facebook page for the most up-to-date information.

### 2020 Golden Anniversary Mass

Saturday, August 1, 2020, 4:30 PM, St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Cincinnati Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Celebrant and Saturday, August 1, 2020, 4:30 PM, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton, Bishop Joseph Binzer, Celebrant.

### Wedding Anniversary Certificates

Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2020 may request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Schnurr. Parishes may also make this request for couples. Certificates will be mailed to parishes for distribution in late July or early August. More details can be found here or by calling 513.263.6692.

*Please keep the following people in your prayers.*

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

Cheryl Anderson	Rita Downs	Tony Riggs
Ken Belcher	Bennett Hart	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Bob Bruns	Rick Kaliney	Karen Thomas
Mooneen Caulfield	Vanessa Padgett	Sharon Wenzel
Michael Culp	Victors Polovskis	Mark Williams
Catherine DeMange		

## REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

### Lenten Pilgrimage: Phnom Penh, Cambodia - Horizons Vocational Training Institute

Maryknoll Missionaries in Phnom Penh respond to the cross-border trafficking of girls and women through the Horizons Vocational Training Institute. They provide survivors and at-risk girls with education to pass the government equivalency exam and participate in vocational education. Graduates are placed in jobs for independence and dignity. Missionaries also provide services to the deaf population in Cambodia to educate and train deaf individuals who can then form a community to advocate for itself and integrate into hearing society. Services include job training, sign language (interpreting and teaching), deaf community development and social services.

But it seems a toweringly wonderful thing that you might call me to follow you and stand with you. I will labor with you to bring God's reign, if you will give me the gift to do it. Pg 65

As we begin May, we look forward to Pentecost, the last Sunday of the month. We completed 242 spiritual miles and 222 exercise miles this week and have accumulated 2,733 spiritual and 934 exercise (3667 total) miles. Our pilgrimage mileage goal this week is 4,032 miles, so we are very close in spite of our limitations! Thanks for continuing to send in your miles. Walking is a great way to earn even more!

### Domestic Church: Movie Night!

Growing up my family watched more movies than played board games. As C.S. Lewis says, "I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else," movies (both religious and secular) have become a way for me to see God! Host a movie night as a domestic church, with popcorn and all, and afterwards talk about how you see God in the film.

Need a movie suggestion? Check out "Onward" on Disney Plus! It resonates in an age when modern conveniences sometimes seem to have stripped the world of spontaneity and enchantment. It speaks to the feeling of being separated from the simplicity and beauty of the natural world by bright screens and soaring skylines. But in the end, it reminds us that no matter how much the world changes, some things, like love and family and ultimately God, remain constant.

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# CATHOLIC CONFERENCE OF OHIO

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April 28, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Yesterday, 27 April 2020, Governor Mike DeWine presented a strategy to begin a multi-phased plan, even while the executive “Stay at Home Order” remains in place. His plan begins a process for Ohioans gradually to return to work and daily activity and provides hope and evidence that our cooperation with the governor’s orders has significantly curbed the spread of the virus. We thank you for and admire the patience, cooperation and understanding you have already shown during this COVID-19 pandemic. We realize the frustration, sadness, and loss the faithful felt not to be able to gather personally to celebrate the Paschal Mysteries during the Sacred Triduum and each Sunday. During this time of sacrifice and longing, we have joined our prayers and hearts to yours, trusting that God will see us through this pandemic and reunite us at the Eucharistic Feast. Out of deep concern for the common good as well as the physical and spiritual well-being of all the people of Ohio, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio have agreed once again to cooperate with the governor, and to support and abide by the multi-phased approach to returning to work and eventual public gathering in large groups.

To that end, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio extend the temporary suspension of all publicly celebrated Masses/liturgies ending on May 29<sup>th</sup>, with the hope of publicly celebrating together the Solemnity of Pentecost on the weekend of May 30/31. Each of the bishops of Ohio, once again, dispense the Catholic faithful who reside in their respective dioceses and all other Catholics currently in their territories from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass during this time. We ask for the cooperation and adherence of all the faithful to the governor’s directives during this period.

We will be working diligently with our pastoral teams to consider reasonable, gradual and responsible initiatives for welcoming back the faithful in time to Sunday Mass, initiatives which will renew our love for the Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and which will help us to restore Catholic life and invite others to share that life after the pandemic. We encourage individual dioceses and their respective pastors and parishioners to begin to work to establish plans which respect social distancing and other requirements for the safety of our people.

This decision has not been taken lightly and, as your bishops, together with you, we recognize the sacrifice we are called to make being physically distanced from the Holy Eucharist and from one another. We remain grateful for your understanding and prayerful support. As your bishops we continue to encourage you to keep holy the Lord’s Day by participating in Sunday Mass by way of radio broadcast or televised or livestreamed options and making a spiritual communion. Keeping in mind of the gift of plenary indulgences offered to us by the Church, we encourage all the faithful to turn to the Church’s treasury of prayer, praying as a family or individually the Liturgy of the Hours, rosary, divine mercy chaplet, and Stations of the Cross, etc.

Together we continue to pray for all who are suffering from Covid19, for all health care workers and first responders, for all the deceased and their families, and for an easing of the anxiety and tension caused by this pandemic. Relying on the Motherly care of Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we unite our sufferings to those of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and we trust in the glorious hope of His Resurrection.

Most Rev. Dennis M. Schnurr  
Archbishop of Cincinnati

Most Rev. Joseph R. Binzer  
Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati

Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan  
Bishop of Columbus

Most Rev. Jeffrey M. Monforton  
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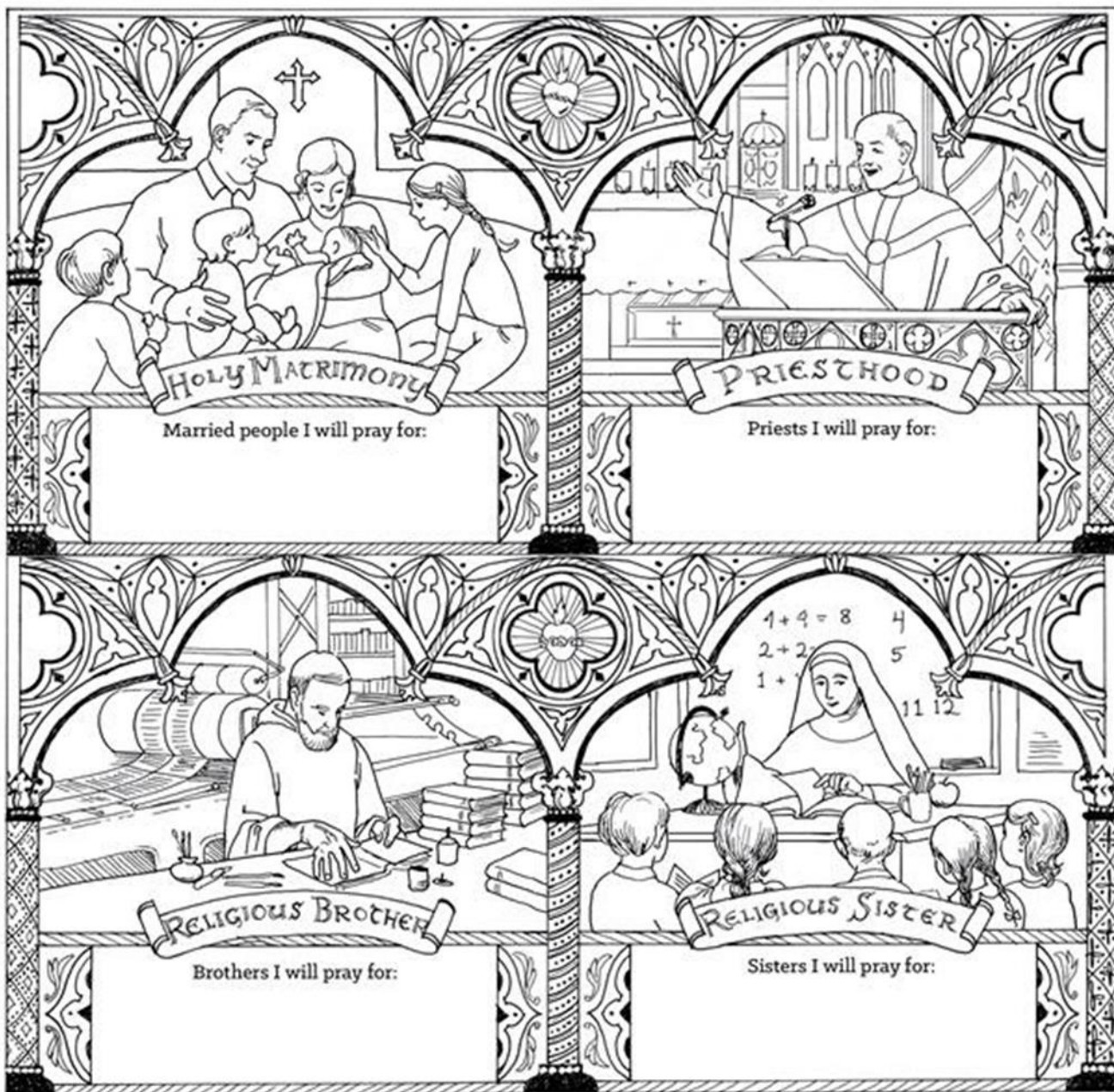
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Most Rev. Bohdan J. Danylo  
Ukrainian Eparchy of St. Josaphat

Most Rev. Milan Lach, SJ  
Byzantine Eparchy of Parma

# Pray for Vocations

**Instructions:** In the space below each picture, write the names of people in that vocation you will pray for. If you don't know any people in that vocation, write a short prayer such as, "For all sisters who work in hospitals" or "For all brothers who serve in missions." Then color the pictures.



**Pray for your own vocation:** On the back of this paper, write a prayer to know your own vocation. First pray silently from the heart, then write a simple prayer in your own words. For example, "Jesus, help me hear your call. If you call me to marriage, help me be a good wife/husband. If you call me to be a priest, help me to preach with courage..." End by telling God how much you love Him.

## Prayers for Vocations

POPE FRANCIS

### **PRAYER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

Lord Jesus, we pray that young people might boldly take charge of their lives, aim for the most beautiful and profound things of life and always keep their hearts unencumbered.

Accompanied by wise and generous guides, help them respond to the call you make to each of them, to realize a proper plan of life and achieve happiness.

Keep their hearts open to dreaming great dreams and make them concerned for the good of others. Like the Beloved Disciple, may they stand at the foot of the Cross, to receive your Mother as a gift from you. May they be witnesses to your Resurrection and be aware that you are at their side as they joyously proclaim you as Lord. Amen.

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*L'Osservatore Romano, weekly edition in English, number 15, 14 April 2017.*

### **Prayer of Trust in Uncertainty**

My Lord God,  
I have no idea where I am going  
I do not see the road ahead of me.  
I cannot know for certain  
where it will end.  
Nor do I really know myself,  
And the fact that I think I am following  
Your will does not mean that I am  
actually doing so.  
But I believe that the desire to please  
You does in fact please you.  
And I hope that I have that desire  
in all that I am doing.  
And I know that if I do this,  
You will lead me by the right road  
though I may know nothing about it.  
Therefore will I trust You always  
though I may seem to be lost  
and in the shadow of death,  
I will not fear,  
for You are ever with me  
and You will never leave me  
to face my perils alone. Amen.  
Fr. Thomas Merton

### **Vocation Prayer for Children**

I glorify You, God in all that I do.  
In mind, body, and spirit  
I give my best to you.

Help me to follow your will  
No matter the call:  
Sister, brother, or priest,  
I promise my all.

If you call me to marriage,  
I promise to love,  
And to teach my own children  
To seek grace from above.

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.

Amen.



### **Prayer for Abandonment**

Lord Jesus Christ, we bring to You in prayer the children of our family. Give them hearts open to hear Your voice. Help them to be generous in responding to Your call. Give them the grace to persevere in overcoming all the pressures in our world that keep them from embracing and truly living their vocation.

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Amen.

### **Invisible Monastery | by: Vianney Vocations**

The goal of Invisible Monastery is to organize continuous prayer for vocations, as suggested by the Vatican in 2012.

Members of Invisible Monastery:

- Pledge to pray daily or weekly for vocations
- Choose their type of prayer—Mass intention, rosary, private prayer, etc.
- Renew their pledge annually
- Receive a quarterly e-newsletter with prayers, resources, and ideas for promoting vocations
- May receive occasional communication from the diocesan Vocation Director with prayer requests or other information.

For further information visit the website for Vianney Vocations and click on “Invisible Monastery.”