

# Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

May 10, 2020

## 5th Sunday of Easter

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

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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

*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 11

Holy Trinity.....Gerald Cooper & Elizabeth Weinert

St. Joseph.....John Joseph O'Kane

#### Tuesday, May 12

Holy Trinity.....Anthony Ravelli

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

#### Wednesday, May 13

Emmanuel.....Mary Riess

St. Joseph.....Fr. William Dineen C.P.P.S.

#### Thursday, May 14

Emmanuel.....Jim Monnin

St. Joseph.....Mike Ciani

#### Friday, May 15

Emmanuel.....Intention of Sadauskas Family

St. Joseph.....Reichert & Thomas Families

#### Saturday, May 16

Emmanuel.....Julius Schlater

St. Joseph.....Tom, Rose & Marie Bova

St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

Emmanuel.....Intention of healing for Lisa Madison

#### Sunday, May 17

Holy Trinity.....Magdalena Moorman

St. Joseph.....Tom & Kathy Buschur

Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

#### Next Week's Readings:

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Psalms 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Peter 3:15-18;  
John 14:15-21

#### Confessions:

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

Emmanuel Church - Saturday 4:00-6:00pm

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To Register for any parish please contact the parish office

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

#### 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

The gospel reading for today and for next Sunday is taken from the 14th Chapter of John's Gospel. The scene is this, Jesus has gathered his disciples for the Passover meal, His Last Supper with the disciples. After washing their feet Jesus reveals some shocking news, Judas will soon betray him, Peter will deny him three times and finally He tells his disciples "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer." Talk about some depressing news! Then Jesus says, always remember my new commandment, "Love one another." When I am gone, this is how everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

The disciples must have been overwhelmed with all that Jesus had said to them. Imagine the confusion, the hurt, the worry and fear that stirred in their hearts. Responding to their heavy hearts Jesus says, *"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me."* "I am preparing a dwelling place for you that is eternal." These words have served as a source of comfort and support for people throughout the centuries.

What does it mean for you to have a troubled heart? Maybe you would describe a troubled heart as being fearful, angry, stressed out, divided or frustrated with Covid-19. When the feelings of a troubled heart begin to stir within you Jesus says, *"Follow me, for I am the way, the truth and the life."* He offers this message of hope because we are chosen and precious in God's sight.

We are precious to God not because of anything we have done but because we are God's children. Through the waters of Baptism, we become children of God and temples of God's Spirit. Each of us is a unique reflection of God's love in the world just as a child reflects the identity of his or her parents. God loves each of us because He sees in each of us the love He has for His son, Jesus. The more that we can live in the awareness of our identity as children of God the more we will be at peace.

We might say Jesus is our GPS in life, "God's Presence through the Spirit." He is with us to show us the way to the Father. This is important because as St. Thomas A Kempis noted, "without the Way, there is no going. Without the Truth, there is no knowing. Without the Life, there is no living."

As we celebrate Mother's Day we are reminded that a parent's love for their child is so important because it mirrors for us the precious love that God has for each of us: a love that is unconditional, a love that is willing to make sacrifices for the good of the other and a love that is freely given even though we do not deserve it. Today as we honor our mothers, living and deceased, we also honor the Blessed Virgin Mary who with a mother's heart provides for the needs of her children, calms a troubled heart and teaches us the meaning of living faithful, hope-filled lives rooted in God's covenant of love.

Pope Francis reminds us, "We have a Mother, Mary. Cling to her as children cling to their mother, living in the hope that rests on Jesus. When Jesus ascended to heaven, he brought to the Heavenly Father our humanity, which he assumed in the womb of the Virgin Mary. Like an anchor, let us fix our hope on Christ. May this hope guide our lives, until our dying breath."

In this Easter season, we find joy and strength in the promise Jesus made that He will come back and take us to Himself, so that we can be with Him forever. Jesus instructs us to keep our eyes fixed on Him because He is the Way, the Truth and the Life." We don't need to guess which way to go or what path we are to take. We simply need to follow Him to that dwelling place He is preparing for us in heaven.

**Honoring Our Blessed Mother** On Sunday, May 10th Fr. Angelo and Fr. Matt will offer devotional prayers in honor of our Blessed Mother. You are invited to join us on the west parking lot at Emmanuel Church and remain in your car as we offer prayers at 12:00 noon.

## Mary, An Instrument in the Hand of God

Mary is given the title "Mother of God" in the Sub Tuum Praesidium which is the oldest known prayer to our Blessed Mother from around the year 250 AD. The prayer reads: *"Under thy protection we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God"*.

Within the church, we refer to Mary as the Mother of God, because she carried within her womb the One who created her. As part of God's plan Mary allowed herself to be used as an instrument in God's hands. What does it mean to be an instrument of God? To dig into this analogy, it's helpful to think about a musical instrument. What happens if an instrument is never picked up and played? Nothing! It just sits there gathering dust. If the instrument is never practiced or used it easily gets out of tune or the valves begin to stick.

Scripture is full of stories that highlight various people who were open to becoming instruments in the hand of God. Throughout salvation history God uses human persons and human action to make His will and His love known in the world.

Recall the encounters leading up to the birth of Jesus. Through an angel, God told Mary how she would be a blessing for the world as the mother of Jesus. Elizabeth in her old age bears a son named John who would prepare the way of the Lord. Through a dream Joseph is instructed to take Mary into his home as his wife. The shepherds encountered the angels and share the message that had been told to them about the child Jesus. God is using many and varied instruments to bring his plan of salvation to light.

An important aspect of being an instrument in the hands of God is taking the time reflect or to ponder our life experiences. To reflect literally means to "bend back." The past is preparing us for the future and so, as the Blessed Virgin Mary reflects upon all these things that have gone on in her life she begins to see how she is part of a much bigger story, an instrument in the hands of God, our God who wants to reveal his love and mercy for us.

Today, as you are invited to be more attentive to the hand of God at work in your life, what are the lessons that you have learned from these experiences? What joys do you want to hold close to your heart to help you through these difficult times?

In this month of May as we honor our Blessed Mother. It is good for us to allow her grace, her openness, her readiness to be a servant of God to be our guide. Just as she participated in God's plan of salvation, we too are called to be an instrument in God's plan of salvation. What an awesome privilege we have been given! God has created us for this time and place and is counting on us to be willing instruments in His hands so that his love and mercy will be known to those who live in darkness and fear.

### A Prayer for Mothers By: Heidi Busse

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.

We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways. We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.

## REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Virtual Retreat for Our Parishioners

Title: Hope: The Anchor of Life

Date: May 17-19, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

Presenter: Fr. Angelo Anthony, CPPS



Hope is the distinguishing mark of the Christian life, a gift from God which provides us with an anchor of strength. This parish retreat will reflect upon the theological virtue of hope and ways to call upon its strength in our daily life.

*You can access the retreat through the link that will be provided on our parish websites.*

**Lenten Pilgrimage:** Mandalay, Myanmar - Small Income Generating Projects. Maryknoll missionary, Father Robert McCahill, has spent more than 25 years traveling throughout Bangladesh and Myanmar to create and help implement small income generating projects such as plantations, fish ponds and piggeries. These projects generate funds to support student boarding facilities. Each year, Father travels to Myanmar to visit a different diocese and work with local priests, sisters, brothers and lay leaders to identify 25 small projects to be financed by this project. Projects are expected to make a return on the investment within one year.

“Lord Jesus, from the start you invite ordinary people to come to where you live. When they come, you welcome them and call them to labor and rejoice with you. You are powerful, Lord. Draw me more and more into your friendship and lead me along the way you took with friends”. Pg 82 *Hearts on Fire*

We completed 210 spiritual miles and 160 exercise miles this week and have accumulated 2,943 spiritual and 1094 exercise (4037 total) miles. Our pilgrimage mileage goal this week is 5199 miles, we're making progress! Thanks for continuing to send in your miles. The month of May is a special time for us to pay homage to our Blessed Mother Mary. As we continue our pilgrimage and are unable to attend Mass at Church, let us focus on the Rosary to increase our miles.

#### Domestic Church: Altaration Family Night!

Ascension Press is doing a live family night series on Wednesdays at 8pm during May! Take some time with your domestic church to be “altar”ed! Check out details on <https://ascensionpress.com>

#### 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 Cartuvelles	Alex McGarvey	Aimee Storm
Jon Chachula	Zachary McIntyre	Susan Varmuza
Laura Chachula	Matthew Melvin	Justin Williams
Gary Eilers		

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for May 3, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$6,980.00
St Vincent de Paul:	\$ 698.00

*Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.  
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**Emmanuel Church is open every Saturday** from 4:00-6:00pm for confessions and Eucharistic Adoration.

## EMMANUEL CHURCH Continued...

**CORPUS CHRISTI ART CONTEST!!** Youth and Adults are invited to create artwork with the theme of the Body and Blood of Christ. This year we ask for pictures of the artwork to be sent to [corpuschristiartcontest@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristiartcontest@gmail.com). Art pieces may be of whatever medium you choose. When taking the pictures, put the artwork on a flat surface near a window so the natural light will hit the piece. Entries are due by June 6th. Please include the artist's name and age (or just "adult" if it is not a student entry) on the email with the piece. Questions? email [corpuschristiartcontest@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristiartcontest@gmail.com).

#### Prayer List

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

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for May 3, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$9,533.61

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**Trinity Sunday** - At present we are still planning on our Annual Trinity Sunday celebration. It will be scaled back considerably, but will still be a time to celebrate our parish and each other. We will not be doing any carried in food, but will do all preparation on the grounds under the tent. We will simply be doing hot dog, mett and brats sandwiches, beverages and snacks. There will be “fun” bingo for adults and children, games for the kids and music for listening. We hope you will all join with us at the 11:30 Mass when we will celebrate the First Communion of one of our children and stay for the picnic afterwards.

**Thanks** to all who ordered plants in our recent sale and picked them up this past Thursday.

**Shower Edgar** with birthday cards – Edgar Moorman will turn 101 years old May 11. If you would like to send him a card his address is: Dayton Veterans Administration Center  
C/O Edgar Moorman  
Lincoln Estates at Lakeside Manor Building 320, Room 123  
4100 West Third Street  
Dayton, Ohio 45428

**Honoring our Graduates:** Families with graduating seniors are requested to contact the parish with their senior's name, parent's name, school and any plans that they have for after graduation. This includes those graduating from high school, college, trade school or any other important milestone for your young person. We hope to honor them in the near future. Contact Lynda Middleton at 937-223-1223 or [Lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com](mailto:Lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com).

**All Mass intentions** that were not celebrated due to the adjustment of Masses will be rescheduled at the first possible date.

#### BOILER FUND UPDATE:

**Goal - \$73,000**

**Pledged/collected: \$70,905.00**

**We are inching our way toward the goal. \$2,095.00 to go!**

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for May 3, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection  
\$3,413.00

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

**Our sympathy** is extended to the family of Mary Ann McMullen who died this past week. May she rest in peace with the Lord.

**Thank you** to everyone sending in donations during this pandemic. We truly appreciate your continued support of the parish.

**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.

**We have some 8' and 10' tables** we no longer need. They're the heavy older tables but in good condition. We also have white boards. If you are interested in any please call the rectory 937-228-9272.

### 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		

## Announcement About Flocknotes!

As a way of strengthening communication within our parishes and pastoral region we joined the ranks of "Flocknotes," an internet service that enables us to send emails and text messages to our parishioners as one group. If you would like to start receiving email, text messages or both please use this link <https://flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa> or go to the homepage for Flocknotes, click on "Find Your Church" using our Zip code 45402 and from the selection of churches that appear click on "Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes." You can join our network and be on your way to receiving messages from the parish (all without needing to create a password)!



## Area Activities

**Permanent Deacon Informational Evenings** - The Office of the Diaconate will conduct two Informational Evenings for those men considering the Permanent Diaconate. The meetings will be conducted via webcast. The dates for these two sessions will be: Wednesday, May 20, 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday, May 26, 7:00 p.m. These meetings are intended to provide information about the diaconate, formation, pre-requisites and to answer any questions. Wives of those men who are interested are encouraged to attend with their husbands. You must register in order to receive the link to the online meeting by email. Please send your registration request to: [deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org). Call Deacon Mark Machuga at 513.263.6641 for more information.

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