## **Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes July 12, 2020** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 www.cpps-preciousblood.org



Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

## Emmanuel Church

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## **Holy Trinity Church**

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## Saint Joseph Church 411 East Second St. - 45402

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Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction at Emmanuel on Tuesdays 7:00 PM

To Register for any parish please contact the parish office For Baptisms, Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound please contact your parish office.

## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, July 13 7:30 AM Holy Trinity......Tom Newsad 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Patricia Buehner Tuesday, July 14 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Paula Deschler 6:00 PM Holy Trinity.....Anthony & Charles Monnin Wednesday, July 15 7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Pete & Susan Campisi 12:00 AM St. Joseph......Virginia Bauer Thursday, July 16 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Christine Durr 6:00 PM Emmanuel.....Patricia Bilbrey Friday, July 17 7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members Monnin Family 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Elizabeth Collins Saturday, July 18 7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Effie M. Minham 12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Laurie Clark Bert 4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners 5:15 PM Emmanuel......For our parishioners Sunday, July 19 8:30 AM Holy Trinity......For our parishioners 10:00 AM St. Joseph......Manuel Ramon Pena 10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Dayton Council 500, Family and Friends 11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Fung Family

## **Next Week's Readings:**

Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19; Psalms 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a); Romans 8: 26-27; Matthew 13: 24-43

## **Confessions:**

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM Emmanuel: Holy Trinity: Sunday: 8:00 AM St. Joseph: Monday-Saturday 11:30 AM; Saturday: 4:00 PM

## **PASTOR'S PEN**

When we think of a farmer planting a field we probably picture a big John Deere tractor moving through the field plowing and planting in calculated & cultivated rows. After hearing today's gospel, you might have thought to yourself, "That farmer Jesus spoke of was pretty sloppy when planting his seeds!" The experience Jesus had of farming was quite different from what we see today. A farmer in the time of Jesus would walk through an unplowed field and generously scatter seed far and wide—anticipating problems such as birds, stones and weeds. Once sown, then the seed would be plowed under and the farmer would await the yield.

In this and other parables used by Jesus we can see that there is no one answer that will explain the message of a parable. By their nature, parables are open-ended and can be interpreted in any number of ways. Today's parable is a good example of this method of teaching.

- If our focus is on the sower in the parable our thoughts turn to God who generously sows seeds in every type of ground; His living Word is given for all to hear and take to heart.
- If our focus is on the seed in the parable then our thoughts turn to the faithfulness of God. We can trust that the seed God plants will fulfill the mission it was given to do.
- If our focus is on the harvest, then at first, we might begin to worry that there will not be a good harvest because of the birds and rocks and weeds, and yet, in the end there is an overwhelm ing abundance of grain produced. God's Word will bring forth fruit providing a miraculous harvest.
- If our focus is on the soil, then our thoughts turn to the type of environment that we are preparing in our hearts to receive the Word of God. Are we easily swayed by distractions, do worries and fears chock off life, do we make time to reflect upon life?

Taking a closer look at the action of the farmer we can see that he scattered the seed far and wide in hopes that at least some would grow. In the same way God generously scatters the seeds of his love in hopes that they will take root in any heart that receives it. Jesus didn't come for just one group of people; Jesus came to save all people. His love is not calculated or restricted. Rather, through the heart of Jesus we come to see that God's love is generous, overflowing and extravagant, it does not return void.

When we see ourselves as the farmer in today's parable we have accepted the call to be disciples and missionaries. We are to be people of faith sowing seeds of God's love generously hearing the call to be the hands of Christ, to be his voice, his ears, and his heart. There was once a Monk who was walking along the street and he came upon a poorly dressed woman and her child, both homeless and hungry. The Monk became angry and cried out to God: "How can you allow this to happen?" "Why aren't you doing something about this suffering?" God was silent for a while and then said: "I did do something about it...I made you."

You and I are called to sow seeds of generosity and compassion in lives that are rocked by the effects of the coronavirus, through poverty, sickness and sorrow. We are called to sow seeds which proclaim dignity and respect for all life to a world choking upon the weeds of violence, apathy and selfishness. We will never know when our generous sowing of the seeds of faith, love and hope will mean the difference between life or death for someone in need. Remember, even in the poorest of conditions, a seed can take root and grow like the seed that sprouts and grows in the crack of the sidewalk.

When God's Word is able to overcome the obstacles of fear, indifference, distractions, pride, or the need to be in control, then God will provide an abundant harvest. Through God's covenant of love sealed in the Precious Blood of Jesus we can trust that God's Word will not return to the Lord void; it will achieve the end for which it was sent.

## Morning Prayer in Honor of the Precious Blood

We are all washed clean in the Blood of the Lamb, our sins forgiven, our hearts strengthened, our lives given purpose. Grant to me this day, O saving God, the power of the Precious Blood so that I might see the violence and disharmony around and within me. Move me to bring your life giving love, your reconciling power to those who do not know you and cannot hear your voice in the events of their lives. May this day be one of praise and honor to the saving Blood of Jesus. Amen.

#### **Community Blood Center**

There are peak needs during the summer for blood donations. Please consider taking some time out of your day to donate the true gift of life! Appointments are encouraged. Call 1-800-388-GIVE, or visit <u>www.donortime.com</u> to schedule a time.

**Youth Elect Service retreat! Y.E.S.** Teens who have completed 6th grade through graduating high school are invited to participate in this apostolic retreat helping seniors with ordinary outdoor chores i.e., yard work, spring cleaning, etc. The retreat begins on Friday, July 31st to get acquainted, distribute work assignments and equipment, and to pray. Saturday morning teams will be sent out after the 7:30am Mass at Emmanuel. If you are an elderly parishioner and need some help with outdoor chores around the house, our Region 7 teens would love to come and help you. Adults, college freshman through retiree age, are needed to serve as crew leaders. To request help for your house project, or to volunteer as a Youth Worker or Adult Crew leader, please contact Lynda Middleton at 937-228-1223 or <u>lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com</u> or Fr. Matt at <u>mattkeller1988@gmail.com</u>.

#### Young Adults: Need Direction For Your Week?

Come to Dayton Downtown Catholics Young Adult's Gospel Prayer Sessions (GPS)! Pray with the Sunday gospel with other young adults every Thursday at 7pm at Holy Trinity between the school building and rectory outside in the law (#socialdistancing). Bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on plus your Bible/Sunday devotional, prayer journal, and water bottle. For more information contact Shaughn Phillips at sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com.

#### 2020 Golden Anniversary Mass Cancelled. The

Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary Masses, honoring couples celebrating 50 years of marriage, scheduled for August 1, 2020, are cancelled.

#### 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. Please contact the parish office if you are celebrating a special anniversary this year and would like to receive a certificate.

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#### 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 Zachary McIntyre Matthew Melvin	David Musgrove Diane Nyirasimbi Anthony Pelfrey Jessica Pruitt Aimee Storm Susan Varmuza Justin Williams
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**Formed Pick of the Week:** Orientation and introduction to 33 Days of Morning Glory. From Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC, author of the bestselling book Consoling the Heart of Jesus, comes an extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian consecration. Featuring the teachings of four giants of Marian spirituality—St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St. John Paul II—Fr. Gaitley shows how simple it is to put Marian devotion into practice.

**How do new parishioners register for an account?** Visit FORMED.org & Click Sign Up Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"

Find your parish by zip "45402" or name "St. Joseph" Enter your email - and you're in!

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

## **Generous Contributions for July 5, 2020**

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
•	\$8,513.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 851.30

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

## **Prayer List**

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

**Nominations will CLOSE TODAY** for Parish Pastoral Council— We are accepting nominations for parishioners to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council and the various Commissions of the parish. Please give serious consideration to sharing your gifts and talents to help strengthen the life of our parish. Nomination forms can be found online or in the back of church today. Elections will take place the weekend of August 8 & 9, 2020.

**Education Commission:** This group's focus is offering advice to the Pastor on CCD, RCIA, and other religious formation programs such as Bible Study, Lenten Mission, etc. They assist the Director of Religious Education in carrying out his duties dealing with all aspects of spiritual growth of Emmanuel Parish.

**Facilities Commission:** This body focuses on ensuring the integrity and maintenance of the Parish buildings, grounds and any future expansions. They identify short and long-term maintenance needs and recommends solutions for all issues dealing with the Church properties.

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

## **Generous Contributions for July 5, 2020**

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
-	\$6,400.00	\$7,938.06
Outreach:		\$ 388.00

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners and to all who are making up their Sunday offerings, either by mail or through the Sunday collections.

We are very appreciative of all who are practicing social distancing and wearing masks at church. We are doing this out of respect and concern for each other.

**Our sincere sympathy** is expressed to the family of Bill Turner, whose memorial Mass was celebrated at Holy Trinity this past Thursday. May he rest in peace in the company of the saints.

**Please keep in your prayers** all the elderly, sick and confined at home or in long term care facilities. Knowing they have the prayers and thoughts of fellow parishioners is comfort to them.

**Thanks** to all who are participating in our recycling program here at Holy Trinity. The green and yellow dumpster at the north end of Bainbridge Street is there for all in the community to drop off catalogs, magazines, newspapers, junk mail, office paper, fax paper, notebooks, folders and cardboard.

- Please continue to bring your aluminum beverage cans to Mass with you or drop them by the parish garage when you come through town. Thank you!
- Spent batteries can also be brought to church for proper recycling. Place them in the bin on the steps to the right as you enter the vestibule.

## Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council

Due to the pandemic and the closing of the church, we were unable to follow the normal schedule for the elections to the Parish Pastoral Council. So, elections will take place on Sunday, August 2. We are presently securing names of parishioners who would like to learn more about and place their names in nomination for possible election to the Parish Pastoral Council. To learn about the functions of each commission please go to Holytrinitydayton.org, choose Parish Pastoral Council, and scroll through the different commission to find out what you would be interested in. All are welcome to place their name in nominations. Simply call Judi at the parish office (937-228-1223) or email <u>busmgr.holytrinity@gmail.com</u>. Our objective is to have two candidates for each commission for the election. We will be accepting self nominations through the month of July. The Council meets 10 months out of the year and each Commission has their own schedule of meetings.

**Online Giving** – Do you sometimes come to church, forget your offertory envelope, and you don't have your checkbook or cash with you? Here's a way to solve the dilemma – ONLINE GIVING. Simply go to our website - <u>Holytrinitydayton.org</u>, from the navigation bar choose Online Giving. Click on My Online Donation, view the donor portal, and register as a new user. You may do a "quick give" with no login required or schedule automatic recurring giving.

Be assured that Online Giving is easy, convenient and safe. Security is the top priority; that's why Online giving meets all the strictest PCI/ DSS security standards and is PCI compliant. Online giving has intrusion detection and transaction security and is committed to keeping your date safe at all times.

**BOILER FUND UPDATE: ALLELUIA!** Goal - \$73,000 Pledged/collected: \$73,130.00 Thanks to all parishioners & friends of the parish who helped us reach our goal!



## **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

## Generous Contributions for July 5, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
-	\$8,882.00
Charity:	\$ 100.00

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

#### Are you getting your estate in order?

If so, please remember St. Joseph Church. It is through the generosity of individuals like yourself who name St. Joseph in their will that the parish continues to thrive and will do so for many years to come.

**Individuals who are 70 1/2 and older** can transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRAs directly to charity at any time during the year. The tax law that passed December 2015 made this tax break permanent. These transfers count as part of your yearly minimum distribution. There are several tax benefits of these direct IRA payouts to charity. The distributions aren't taxable and won't cause you to have extra income that could reduce your itemized deductions or personal exemptions, or trigger more tax on your Social Security bene-fits. Of course, you can't also deduct the donation. You may want to consider this for any future contributions, including unpaid pledges to One Faith, One Hope, One Love. Contact your tax advisor for more details.

# Thank you to those who have agreed to help keep our church clean. We have a few days open...Can you help? We're in need of people to wipe down pews after each Mass. We need six people, one for each day of the week. Please call the office if you can help 937-228-9272. Thank you!

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

Ken Belcher Bob Bruns Mooneen Caufield Michael Culp Catherine DeMange Rita Downs

- Christine Durr Bennett Hart Rick Kaliney Vanessa Padgett Victors Polovskis
- Tony Riggs Janet Rudy-Gerrard Karen Thomas Sharon Wenzel Mark Williams

**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 <u>https://</u> <u>flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa</u> 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**

The Catch the Building Spirit 2020 house build is well under way for Habitat for Humanity of greater Dayton partner family Ira & Terese Compton. Ira works for a major shipping company maintaining machinery and Terese is a full time home health aide. Their home is located at 6718 Sandy Dr., Trotwood. You can help by volunteering at the job site where you will be directed by skilled site superintendents for the day's work. To volunteer, signup at <u>https:// daytonhabitat.org/how-to-help/volunteer.html</u>. Learn more about this year's build and make a donation at <u>https://catchthebuildingspiirit.org</u>. Thank you for your help!

#### Presentation Ministries' Our Lady of Guadalupe Discipleship Center Summer Retreat Schedule

July 13-15 – The Gifts of Prophecy, Discernment, and Evangelization July 15-17 – The Gifts of Intercession and Healing

July 17-19 – How to Build a Civilization of Love Thru Home-Based Communities

July 20-23 - How to Build a Civilization of Love Thru Home- Based Communities

July 26-30 – How to Teach the Bible in the Power of the Holy Spirit To register or for more information: call 937-587- 5464 or 513-373-2397 or <u>www.presentationministries.com</u>. Email:

retreats@presentationministries.com. 5701 Lawshe Rd., Peebles Ohio

"It is from the blood of Christ that all people draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope. Indeed, it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in Gods' plan life will be victorious." St. John Paul II

