

# Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

August 23, 2020

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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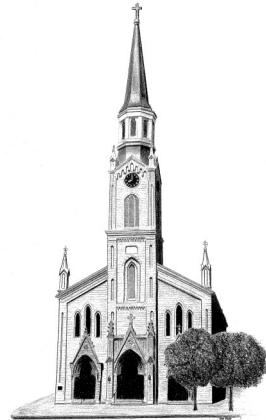
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, August 24

- 7:30 AM Holy Trinity..... Nicholas Hartman  
12:00 PM St. Joseph..... Jim Smolik

#### Tuesday, August 25

- 12:00 PM St. Joseph..... Phyllis Monnin  
6:00 PM Holy Trinity..... Andrew Chiovaro

#### Wednesday, August 26

- 7:30 AM Emmanuel..... Andrew Kleinhenz  
12:00 AM St. Joseph..... Catherine & John Fay

#### Thursday, August 27

- 12:00 PM St. Joseph..... Paula Deschler  
6:00 PM Emmanuel..... Sheryl Hutchinson

#### Friday, August 28

- 7:30 AM Emmanuel..... George Muckenthaler  
12:00 PM St. Joseph..... Mary Ann McMullen

#### Saturday, August 29

- 7:30 AM Emmanuel..... Niehaus Family  
12:00 PM St. Joseph..... Tony Riggs  
4:30 PM St. Joseph..... Living & deceased members  
Moretto Family  
5:15 PM Emmanuel..... For our parishioners

#### Sunday, August 30

- 8:30 AM Holy Trinity..... For our parishioners  
10:00 AM St. Joseph..... For our parishioners  
10:30 AM Emmanuel..... Jim Davis  
11:30 AM Holy Trinity..... Patrick Middleton

#### Next Week's Readings:

IS 22:19-23; PS 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; ROM 11:33-36; MT 16:13-20

#### Confessions:

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**

**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

In the course of a single day each of us are presented with countless questions. They can be as simple as the choice of beverage you want with your meal or as complex as trying to figure out a new remote control for the television. Some questions can leave you pondering, like when someone asks, "How has your life been different than what you imagined?" Other questions help to understand the person you have become by asking, "What is the most important lesson you have learned in life?"

Parents are constantly responding to questions from their children as they seek to grow in knowledge. Today Jesus asks his disciples two important questions. The first is a general kind of question, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" People have been talking about this Jesus person, the rumor mill was working very well and some of them speculated that he was one of the prophets that had returned. The second question Jesus asked is very personal, a question that can change your life. "Who do YOU say that I am?"

How you answer this question will determine, to a large part, how you live your life. Does it make any difference in your life that you are part of God's family? Does it make you more patient, less angry, more loving, less prideful, more moral, or more trustworthy? If you cannot answer yes, then it's time to do some soul searching regarding your answer to the question Jesus asked in today's gospel.

For some people Jesus is nothing more than a great teacher like the Buddha or a religious leader like Mohammed. For others he was a great humanitarian. "But you," Jesus asks, "who do YOU say that I am?" This question demands our attention because if we believe that Jesus is the Son of God then we must be willing to turn our will over to the care of God and see Him as our creator and redeemer. This means that we choose to give God authority over our lives and to follow His path as we journey through life.

In today's gospel we see that Jesus made the decision to pass the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven to Peter with the intention of building a community of the faithful. Jesus recognized the need for a shepherd, a keeper of the keys, which calls us into community and establishes a relationship of accountability. That is why it's not enough to have a private relationship with God. We need to be a part of a community of faith. The community of believers itself keeps us honest in our spiritual journey.

This is the story behind the story in our first reading. Shebna is rejected as the master of the palace, the keeper of the key to the House of David, because he did not trust in God. Rather than trusting God to protect him, Shebna removed stones from the houses of the people, taking down their homes so he could build a wall of defense for himself around the palace. So, God places Eliakim son of Hilkiah as the one in charge, the new keeper of the key because he is trustworthy. This is the image Jesus picks up on in our gospel as he names Peter as the keeper of the keys to the kingdom of heaven rather than entrusting them to the scribes or Pharisees.

If we say that we believe Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God, then our lives must reflect this belief by becoming more and more like Jesus, trusting in the Will of the Father. This doesn't mean that we have to be perfect. Time and again, sacred scripture makes it clear that God works through those who are weak so there can be no question about the source of any success they may experience. All God asks is that we be faithful.

In a burst of praise St. Paul wrote, "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! For from him and through him and for him are all things." That was Paul's answer to the question Jesus asked. What is your answer to the question Jesus asks, "Who do YOU say that I am?"

## REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains named a Minor Basilica.

Holy Father, Pope Francis, has granted the title of Minor Basilica to St. Peter in Chains Cathedral in Cincinnati. The title is given to churches around the world in recognition of their historical or cultural importance, artistic beauty and significance in the life of the Church. The title denotes a closer relationship to the Pope. The title of Major Basilica is reserved to certain churches in Rome. Granted on June 29, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains will now go by the name Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains and now becomes the 89th basilica in the United States. Built in 1845, the newly designated cathedral basilica will observe its 175th anniversary in November.

**FATIMA Movie Opens Aug. 28 at THE NEON, Dayton.** "A powerful and uplifting drama about the power of faith, FATIMA tells the story of a 10-year old shepherd and her two young cousins in Fátima, Portugal, who report seeing visions of the Virgin Mary. Their revelations inspire believers but anger officials of both the Church and the secular government, who try to force them to recant their story. As word of their prophecy spreads, tens of thousands of religious pilgrims flock to the site in hopes of witnessing a miracle. What they experience will change their lives forever." "The power of its legacy has brought together an eclectic international group of cinema artists who believe that Fátima's miraculous message of faith and peace, which galvanized the world over a century ago, is more important than ever." The movie has been endorsed by the International Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima who participated in its production.

**"Pray a Minute" – One Million Hours of Prayer for Peace, Justice and Goodwill.** From now through January 1, the World Day of Prayer for Peace, Catholics across the archdiocese will be invited to pray just one minute more than they already do, every day, for the specific intention of peace, justice and goodwill in our country. If every Catholic in the archdiocese were to do this, it will collectively amount to more than one million hours of prayer. Individuals are, of course, welcome to dedicate more than one minute of prayer per day if they so choose. Folks can join in this prayer movement at any time – it is never too late. Learn more and commit to doing your part at [www.PrayAMinute.com](http://www.PrayAMinute.com)

**Canticle of Daniel Retreat:** Looking for an opportunity to be outdoors and encounter God's creation? Shaughn will be offering a mini-retreat series based around Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si from 9am-12pm on September 12th, 19th, and 26th at three different metroparks! All are welcome. If you are interested in participating in one or more sessions email Shaughn [sphillips@daytontowndowncatholic.com](mailto:sphillips@daytontowndowncatholic.com).

**Formed Pick of the Week: "The Pope" by Dr. Scott Hahn.** Covering the Biblical evidence for the authority of the Pope, the doctrine of Purgatory, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints, the Sacrament of Confession, the Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist and more, the remarkable set is an essential resource for answering the various objections that Protestants make to the Catholic Faith.

Visit [FORMED.org](http://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!

### Day of Prayer for the Church and the Victims of Abuse -

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati will observe the third annual Day of Prayer for the Church and the Victims of Abuse on Friday, September 11. Archbishop Dennis Schnurr will preside that day at 11:30 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains. Let us join together in prayer for healing and peace.

## 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		

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for August 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Collection \$ 5,863.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 586.30

*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	

**Our sympathy** is extended to the family of Eugene Wilson who was buried on August 6th. May he rest in peace.

**Parish Open House** next Sunday, August 30th after the 10:30 Mass. You can register for CCD classes and find out about the fall Bible study. CCD classes will begin on Saturday, September 12th. CCD classes are from kindergarten to 8th grade. We will have Confirmation for 7th and 8th graders here at Emmanuel in April 2021. Please let Brother Matt know if you have a child ready for Confirmation.

**VIRTUS Monthly Bulletins...**Please check your account to make sure it is active. Simply go to [www.virtus.org](http://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 contact Brother Matt, [brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com](mailto:brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com).

### Did you forget to pick up a bulletin at Mass?

The Region 7 bulletins are available on our website, [www.emmanuelcatholic.com/bulletins/](http://www.emmanuelcatholic.com/bulletins/). Archived bulletins may be found by clicking on the Bulletin Archive link. Keep informed on the happenings within our Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes.

### Consider Making Gifts of Stock or Mutual Fund Shares

Donating shares of stock or mutual funds that have increased in value may benefit both your parish and provide personal financial benefits. Depending on your age, it may be beneficial for you to contribute assets directly from a retirement savings plan. For more information on making such gifts please contact Brother Matt at the Parish Office, [brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com](mailto:brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com).

### From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"Laughter is the corrective force which prevents us from becoming cranks." —Henri Bergson via Bob White Owego, NY

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for August 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory:	Budget \$6,400.00	Collection \$4,584.00
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*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.  
Fr. Angelo and Fr. Matt*

### Are You Interested In Becoming Catholic?

Classes to learn about Catholicism will be beginning this fall. If you are interested, please call Lynda Middleton our pastoral associate at the parish office – 937-228-1223 for additional information.

**I Vote Catholic For this election season**, the Archdiocese is offering a seven-week discernment toolkit for parishes and families leading up to election day. We'll delve into one of the themes of Catholic Social Teaching each week and help root you in a useful stance to sort out your questions and sift through the noise swirling around. We'll explore how we can use the themes to form our consciences and determine for whom and what we will vote. This is not voting Democratic or Republican...this is voting Catholic! This initiative will begin on September 13th. The website will launch on August 10 [www.iVoteCatholic.org](http://www.iVoteCatholic.org).

### Action Alert

End the Federal Death Penalty - Rep. Ayanna Pressley has introduced H.R. 4052, legislation to abolish the federal death penalty. Please join us in asking congress to support the bill by signing this petition and encouraging Congress to speak out against the upcoming federal executions in August of 2020. <http://www.actionnetwork.org/petitions/tell-congress-the-death-penalty-is-wrong>

**Our School Supply Collection** continues through the month of August. Our thanks to those who have already donated.

**Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** are needed. Are you feeling a nudge toward this ministry? Please call Judi at the parish office for training. Thank you.

**Have you thought about making gifts of Stock or Mutual Fund Shares to our parish?** Donating shares of stock or mutual funds that have increased in value may benefit both your parish and provide personal financial benefits. Depending on your age, it may be beneficial for you to contribute assets directly from a retirement savings plan. For more information, contact your financial advisor.

**Our thanks** to outgoing Parish Pastoral Council members for their service on the Council these past years – Lynn Wilmes, Sandra Hibner and Adam Becker. Welcome to newly appointed members Shannon Becker, Ron Bird and Patsy Martin and those returning as alternates – Karen Averbeck, Amy Wiedeman, Tracy Walsh and Keelie Gustin.

**To all who continue to bring aluminum beverage cans to the parish**, we thank you. Recycling for the past month netted the parish \$42.80. Not only are you helping the environment, but also helping out our finances here at Holy Trinity.



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Holy Trinity Church

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

## Generous Contributions for August 16, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$7,254.00  
Charity: \$ 64.00

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.  
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**Congratulations to Nicole Harpenau and Joseph Sbarra** who were married at St. Joseph on Tuesday. May your love for one another grow stronger throughout the years.

**Given the governors orders concerning face coverings** anyone attending Mass in Montgomery County needs to wear a face mask. Churches aren't exempt from this order. If you don't want to wear a mask it is ok to watch Mass online. We show our charity for one another by protecting each other during this pandemic.

**Thank you** to everyone who is continuing to support the parish during the time. Your donation at Mass and through the mail are truly appreciated.

**Hearing Aid Receivers Available...**Are you having difficulty hearing the Mass? If so, we have hearing aid receivers available for your use. Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it just give it back to an usher.

### Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

Ken Belcher	Rita Downs	Tony Riggs
Michell Brown	Christine Durr	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Bob Bruns	Bennett Hart	Karen Thomas
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**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. To begin receiving email, text messages or both, use this link and follow the prompts:

<https://flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa>

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

### Divorced? Separated? We Can Help

#### St. Francis of Assisi Parish - Catholic-Sponsored DivorceCare

We will be conducting ONLINE via Zoom weekly seminar/support groups that will help you heal from the hurt you are experiencing. You will be led by people who understand what you are going through and gain hope for your future. Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:00 pm from Sept. 10 to Dec. 10. Cost: \$20 for workbook. Scholarships are available. To register call Marcelle Toma at 937-312-1157 (Not a texting number) or [mtoma@woh.rr.com](mailto:mtoma@woh.rr.com).

**The Family Rosary Rally** scheduled for Sunday, October 11, 2020 has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We ask that you mark your calendars and say the rosary that day and pray for those who are suffering from the virus.

**Is your Marriage Hurting?** Has your marriage grown cold, distant, unloving or uncaring? Then please consider Retrouvaille (ret' ro-vi) - a Catholic sponsored, confidential program open to all faiths, a program designed to help heal and renew marriages. The next program begins September 11-13, 2020. For more information, or to book other weekends or locations, call 513-456-5413 or email [Retrouvaille.org](http://Retrouvaille.org) or [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org).

### Heritage Day Celebration – Now thru September 20

The Heritage Day Celebration is an annual event to raise funds for the operation of the Maria Stein Shrine. In light of the recent pandemic and possible restrictions, we are changing the event this year. There will be a pie baking contest, gift basket raffle, quilt show, Romer's BBQ chicken dinners (pre-sale only) and a chance to win \$1,000! For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [mariasteinshrine.org](http://mariasteinshrine.org) or call 419.925.4532.

  
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