# **Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes**

September 13, 2020

## 24th 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.

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Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, Ser	otember 14	
	Holy Trinity	Kathy Smolik
	St. Joseph	
Tuesday, Sep		•
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	McCrink Family
6:00 PM	Holy Trinity	.Walter Delph
	September 16	_
7:30 AM	Emmanuel	.Cecilia Muckenthaler
12:00 AM	St. Joseph	.Norma Soraci
Thursday, So	eptember 17	
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Living & deceased members of the Moretto family
6:00 PM	Emmanuel	Concetta (Tina) Scarpelli
Friday, Sept	ember 18	, , , <u>-</u>
7:30 AM	Emmanuel	.Dayton Council 500 family & friends
12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Living & deceased members of the Riess & Payne Families
Saturday, September 19		
	Emmanuel	Carmella Rocco
	St. Joseph	
4:30 PM	St. Joseph	Kay Belcher
5:15 PM	Emmanuel	Dominic Delsander
Sunday, Sep	tember 20	
8:30 AM	Holy Trinity	.For our parishioners
10:00 AM	St. Joseph	For our parishioners
10:30 AM	Emmanuel	.For our parishioners
11:30 AM	Holy Trinity	Dave Moorman

## Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 55: 6-9; Psalms 145: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a); Philippians 1: 20c-24, 27a; Matthew 20: 1-16a

#### **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

## **Emmanuel Church**

149 Franklin St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-2013

Web Site: <u>www.emmanuelcatholic.com</u> E-mail: parishoffice@emmanuelcatholic.com

Deacon Rusty Baldwin

Br. Matt Schaefer, C.PP.S. DRE & Bookkeeper Mary Beemsterboer, Secretary Dennis Pyles, Maintenance Michelle Carner, Music Director

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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**

Today we are invited to take a closer look at the gift of forgiveness. Peter asked Jesus, "How often must I forgive?" Most Rabbis or Teachers in the times of Jesus would have answered three times. This number was chosen because of some teaching on forgiveness found in the Book of the Prophet Amos. When Peter suggests seven times he was more than doubling what was required. But what does Jesus say? "Not seven times but seventy-seven times," meaning a limitless number.

Forgiveness is one of the most challenging aspects of the Christian life. It is difficult to let go of our feelings of anger, resentment and even hatred. Jesus is teaching us that forgiveness is for our benefit as much as it is for the person who has injured us. The old hurt just churns inside of us stealing our joy. As someone once said, "holding onto bitterness, resentment and unforgiveness is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die."

To help us understand the depth of God's mercy toward us Jesus offers the parable of two servants, one owing a huge amount and the other owning a much smaller amount. Scripture scholars tells us that in the Greek text of today's reading the first debtor owed ten thousand talents to the king while the second debtor owned a mere one hundred denarii. (One talent is equal to 6000 denarii.) It would be like comparing several million dollars to a few dollars. Jesus wants us to recognize just how much God has forgiven us and how we must forgive one another.

In the journey of life, it is important to recognize that God is always at work offering us the gift of reconciliation. Our work in this journey is to offer forgiveness. Just as to love is a choice, so too, forgiveness is a choice.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom; it is making a choice not to be controlled by the past and to enter a process of healing. When we hold someone in unforgiveness we allow the wounds of the past to control us. This is what Sirach was getting at in our First Reading when he said, "Wrath and vengeance will only lead to a dead end." In reflecting upon the need for forgiveness Fr. Ronald Rohleiser gave this piece of advice, "Always remember, that which we do not transform we transmit." If we don't allow God to transform our hurt by doing the work of forgiveness then we will transmit our pain to others and soon the victim becomes the abuser.

Sometimes when we are hurt we say, "I won't forgive him until he says he is sorry." This is not the Christian view of reconciliation and forgiveness. In Christianity, forgiveness begins with the victim who makes the choice for a different future. When the victim recognizes the tremendous mercy God has shown them, they cannot help but forgive the other person. When we forgive we are united with Christ on the cross participating in his act of redemptive mercy. The victim becomes the victor!

Another stumbling block toward the path of mercy comes when people say, "Just forgive and forget." Some believe this advice comes from the bible, but it is not found there. The problem with this bit of advice is that our minds are not wired that way. We don't forget traumatic things that happen to us. When we forgive, we hear the call not to forget, but to remember the past in a different way. We no longer demonize the perpetrator but see them as a child of God in need of conversion. In doing so, we gradually overcome the anger and resentment of the past. It's important to remember, if we are not in union with one another then we are not in union with God. This doesn't mean we have to become good buddies with them. It means we no longer reject them as undeserving of God's love and mercy.

Jesus Christ is our model of forgiveness. As he reconciled the world to himself on the cross he transformed the horror of crucifixion into the triumph of the cross. Jesus has forgiven us a huge debt. As we seek to conform our life to His we are asked to forgive one another a much smaller debt. This kind of mercy and forgiveness is possible when we allow the Precious Blood of Jesus to wash over our hearts and make us new. Remember, With God, all things are possible!

#### REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Region 7 Picnic...**For the protection of our families, volunteers, and our Priests in the midst of the Covid-19 Pandemic, we will not be having the Region 7 Picnic this year. Let us continue to pray for one another and for our world in this difficult time.

Healing Mass September 17th at 6:00 PM. We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at our regularly scheduled Thursday evening Mass at Emmanuel Church this week. All who would like to receive this sacrament are invited to sit in the pews marked toward the front of church. Please pray for all who are sick and in need of God's healing love.

**Disaster Relief.** The devastating impact of Hurricane Laura and the California wildfires have left thousands of people suffering the loss of homes, businesses, and churches. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops is encouraging the faithful to offer donations for humanitarian, long-term recovery, and Church needs arising from these calamities. If you wish to make a donation please put your offering in an envelope marked "Disaster Relief" and put it in the collection basket or send it to your parish office. We will be sure your donation is forwarded to Catholic Charities USA. Your prayerful support of those most in need is greatly appreciated.

Approaching the Election with Faith and Civility – Zoom Event. Our times are divisive. We – as Catholics – have an obligation to engage with our community and political process and to do so with a well-formed conscience, a spirit of compassion and the skills to enter conversations with civility and peace. In partnership with Braver Angels we will build skills to communicate with people who differ from us politically and explore how we can do so with our faith as our guide. Join us via Zoom <a href="https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/94428908376">https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/94428908376</a> on Tuesday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m. for this highly interactive event. Please contact Becky Kunkler with any questions.

#### St. Monica Book

Many of us know someone, whether a family member or friend, who has left the Catholic Church. As we begin to discern and pray as a pastoral region how to radiate Christ with the upcoming bicentennial of the archdiocese we want to keep our brothers and sisters who have fallen away in our hearts and prayers. In the back of each of our churches is a journal with an image of St. Monica, one who witnessed the power of prayer in the conversion of her son, St. Augustine. Please feel free to include anyone who has fallen away from the Church in whatever way you feel most comfortable, whether by their first name or simply by your association to them. As we gather around the Eucharistic Table each Sunday, we will include them in our prayers!

Is There More To Life Than This? Need a welcoming environment where you can ask the bigger questions in life? Or simply need an opportunity to recharge your relationship with Jesus? Check out Alpha, an opportunity to share and listen to a short video and to one another in exploring these questions. There will be 3 come and see (via zoom) opportunities to check out Alpha; Sunday 9/27 at 8pm, Tuesday 9/29 at 7am, and Wednesday 9/30 at 12noon. Each will be an hour. Space is limited to 12 people each so sign up with Shaughn as soon as you can at <a href="mailto:sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com">sphillips@daytondowntowncatholic.com</a> or by calling Holy Trinity's parish office, 937-228-1223.

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 9:00am-12:00pm on September 19th and 26th at different metro parks! All are welcome. If you are interested in participating, please email Shaughn at <a href="mailto:sphillips@daytondowndowncatholic.com">sphillips@daytondowndowncatholic.com</a>.

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

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

Nicholas Kern Morgan Konsdorf Cody Landers Greg Marcus Zachary McIntyre Matthew Melvin

David Musgrove Diane Nyirasimbi Anthony Pelfrey Jessica Pruitt Aimee Storm Susan Varmuza Justin Williams

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### **Generous Contributions for September 6, 2020**

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$5,948.00 St. Vincent de Paul: 594.80

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

#### **Prayer List**

Virginia Allen Ralph Berry Teresa Bond Daniel Branch Bernard Chachula Michael Dalessio Rick Emerick Anna Espy Annette & John Fohl Cindy Gardina

Gary George Craig Hathaway George Hendrix Jack Hohl Thomas Ledinsky Judy Marks Mike McDonald Patrick McDonald Brian Napier

Phyllis Rieger Tony Rocco Eric Rosenthal Randy Rosenthal Molly Schneider Jan Timerding Trina Umberg Daniel Helen

Ellen Petitjean

#### Happy 50th Birthday Fr. Emmanuel!

Anointing of the Sick will take place at the Mass on Thursday, September 17th at 6:00pm.

Encounter for High School students: This will be an evening of Eucharistic adoration, praise and worship, powerful testimony, and confession. Sunday, September 20th from 6:30 pm -8:30 pm at Ascension Church in Kettering.

Fall retreat at Damascus- CYSC, Friday, October 30 - Sunday, November 1. For more info contact Tanya Lee, 936-885-7432.

Live Casting Crowns concert at Twin Dixie Drive on Friday, October 2nd at 6 pm. Tickets are \$17 a person. Please contact Tanya Lee, 936-885-7432 or MichaelLee25@ sbcglobal.net.

RCIA - the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults...If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, RCIA classes begin on September 20th. For more details, please contact Br. Matt at brothermatt@emmanuelcatholic.com

Being Pro Life - Each month an important respect life topic is covered by an engaging interview with someone personally affected by the issue. You can find each Being Pro-Life column in The Catholic Telegraph, but you need to go online to watch the video or listen to the podcast. This month's topic is Bioethical Issues (ethical vaccines, birth control, ethical infertility help and extraordinary care for end-of-life issues). Invite your parishioners, family and friends to check out the link at www.catholiccincinnati.org/Being-Pro-Life!

## From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"I think the most revolutionary act that you can commit in our society today is to be happy." —Patch Adams, M.D. Gesundheit!

### **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

## Generous Contributions for September 6, 2020

Collection Weekend Offertory: Budget \$6,400.00 \$8,672.00 606.00

Outreach:

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

Missionary Co-op Appeal Weekend. This weekend Fr. Ted Cassidy will be with us to speak on behalf of the Marianist, The Society of Mary, an international religious order of brothers and priests founded in 1817 in France by Father William Joseph Chaminade. The Marianists seek to follow the example of the Blessed Mother in bringing Christ to the world.

American Marianists have been serving the poorest of the poor in India and Eastern Africa for decades. Through education, job training and empowerment programs, the Marianists help people lift themselves out of desperate poverty and into lives of hope. Each year, the Marianists serve more than 12,000 people — mostly children and women — through these *Partnering with the Poor* programs.

Our Sincere Sympathy is extended to the family of Molly Winchester Thorn buried from Holy Trinity this past Friday. May the promise of resurrection life be a source of comfort and strength for the Winchester, Monaghan and Thorn families.

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 launched on August 10. www.iVoteCatholic.org

Register to vote 2020 (or update address or name)

In person: At any library or public secondary school (contact your board of elections for more locations)

By mail: Request form from: Greene County Board of Elections (937) 562-6170

Miami County Board of Elections (937) 440-3900 Montgomery County Board of Elections (937)225-5656 Preble County Board of Elections (937) 456-8117

Online: www.olvr.ohiosos.gov/

Registration must be complete and received by October 5, 2020. After registering you may request your Absentee Ballot from your county board of elections.

Welcome To Our Newly Registered Parishioners, Benjamin and Cynthia Kielbaso. We are happy to have you with us.

Bundle Sunday is September 27th. The emphasis is on winter clothes, but other items are also needed. You may bring your donations with you when you come to Mass (the truck will be in the parking lot) or you can go to the website <a href="https://stvincentdayton.org/">https://stvincentdayton.org/</a> <u>donate-goods/needs-list/</u> to see other things that are needed.

Bring your non perishable food donations for Emmanuel Food Pantry to church and place them behind the last pew. If you would rather make a cash donation, mark your envelope "food pantry" and place it in the collection basket – Attn: Judi Trick.

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

## **Generous Contributions for September 6, 2020**

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$8,367.00 Charity: \$ 225.00

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

#### Blessing and Ground-Breaking for Parish Life Center.

On Sunday, September 27th after the 10:00AM Mass you are invited to join us for a special blessing and ground-breaking ceremony at the site of our new parish center. The architectural drawings have been submitted to the city for the proper permits. Once this is complete we will be another step closer to turning this dream into a reality.

To view the live or recorded Masses go to our webpage <a href="http://www.stjosephdayton.org/">http://www.stjosephdayton.org/</a>. There are several links there for watching live and recorded Masses.

#### **Happy Grandparents Day!**

Heavenly Father, may saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of your son, Jesus, be an everlasting model for grandparents. Your Wisdom and Word are eternal, meant for all generations. Help grandparents, we pray as they pass on the rich traditions of the faith to their beloved family members, especially their grand-children. We are all your children. Help us to know you better each day, ultimately leading us, with our family members, into eternal life with you. Amen (Creative Communications 2016)

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

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

Ken Belcher Michell Brown Bob Bruns Sara Bustetter Mooneen Caufield Michael Culp Catherine DeMange Rita Downs Christine Durr Bennett Hart Marie Henry Rick Kaliney Vanessa Padgett Tom Puckett Victors Polovskis

Tony Riggs Janet Rudy-Gerrard Jack Summers Karen Thomas Sharon Wenzel Mark Williams Linda 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: <a href="https://flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa">https://flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa</a>

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**

Catholic Social Services and the Opus Est Committee invite you to participate in a three-month-long Sentimental Journey that's sure to engage, inform, and inspire you. Our programs are fundamentally about empowerment: giving individuals and families the "hand up" they need to change their own lives for the better. Every couple of weeks during the Journey, CSSMV will send out an email that will connect our followers with the next installment in the story. Be sure to sign up so you'll get to meet some of the agency's clients and volunteers and learn more about what CSSMV means to them. You'll also gain insights into the many different types of needs Catholic Social Services is meeting every single day. Visit <a href="mailto:cssmv.org/sentimental-journey">cssmv.org/sentimental-journey</a>

Knights of Columbus Ride for Charity, Saturday, Sept. 26, Xenia Station, 8:30 am -3:00 pm. Knights of Columbus Council #14882, from St. Henry's Parish in Dayton. Your donations will help requesting individuals and organizations having special needs. Donations encouraged (\$25-100 suggested). No registration fees. Sag support at turn-arounds. Target gift cards for top three total miles (1st -\$50, 2nd-\$35, 3rd -\$15. Riders will choose one of five trails riding out and back. Riders choose the distance of their choice 14 to 102 miles. Learn more, call or text Paul Coudron at 937-212-3862.

Looking for bowlers for the K of C Majors bowling league (30 weeks) at Poelking Lanes, on Wilmington Ave, on Monday evenings. Starting Sept. 14. Teams must consist of 2 Knights of Columbus members in good standing and can have 2 additional people (four person team). Don't have a team? Send a message, and we can add you to a team. It is a USBC sanctioned league. Contact Ed Pokorski at epokorski@att.net. This league is Dayton's longest active bowling league. K of C Majors League was formed in January of 1909!

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