Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

December 27, 2020

The Holy Family Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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Emmanuel Church 1837

St. Joseph Church 1847

Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 28
7:30 AM Holy TrinityCarol Zimmerman
12:00 PM St. JosephVirginia Bauer
Tuesday, December 29
12:00 PM St. JosephTony Riggs
6:00 PM Holy TrinityJames & Catherine
Tuffenberger
Wednesday, December 30
7:30 AM EmmanuelMary Ann Troutman
12:00 AM St. JosephCheryl Anderson
Thursday, December 31
12:00 PM St. JosephBill Baron
5:15 PM EmmanuelJinks & Virginia Hicks
6:00 PM Holy TrinityChristian Gottschlich
Friday, January 1
10:30 AM EmmanuelJohn Payne
12:00 AM St. JosephSpecial Intention
Saturday, January 2
7:30 AM EmmanuelHoly Souls in Purgatory
12:00 PM St. JosephAll those especially in need
of prayer this day
4:30 PM St. JosephFor our parishioners
5:15 PM EmmanuelCecilia Weaver
Sunday, January 3
8:30 AM Holy TrinityDeacon Mike Leo
10:00 AM St. JosephGregory A. Bowers
10:30 AM EmmanuelFor our parishioners
11:30 AM Holy TrinityFor our parishioners
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Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalms 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12

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

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Deacon Rusty Baldwin

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

Holy Trinity Church

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Judith L Trick, Business Manager
Marina Dodaro, Secretary
Lynda Middleton, DRE/Pastoral Associate
Krista Schupbach, Music Director
Shaughn Phillips, Region 7 Evangelization & Young Adult Ministry

Saint Joseph Church

411 East Second St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-9272

Web Site: www.stjosephdayton.org
E-mail: stjosephday@sbcglobal.net
Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager
Bill Baron, Maintenance
Bradley Wilson, Music Director

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.

DEACON RUSTY REFLECTION

Being a Holy Family... The Feast of the Holy Family comes to us from the Egyptian Catholics of the Coptic Rite. From ancient times, Coptic Catholics observed this feast in commemoration of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. It was not until 1921, however, that the feast was observed by the universal Church. And it wasn't until 1969 that the feast was moved to its present location in the liturgical calendar, the Sunday after Christmas.

The readings for today focus on faith. And this is very fitting for faith is an indispensable element in becoming a holy family. It was by faith that Abraham became the father of nations, it was by faith that Sarah was blessed with a child after being barren for so long. And the way the second reading from the book of Hebrews describes the experience of Abraham and Sarah saying yes to God is simultaneously poignant, profound, and yes, even amusing. For saying yes to the Lord in general, and saying yes to the gift of family and children in particular, is an act of great faith. Such a "yes" is not unlike starting down a road, not knowing where in the world that road will lead; or to put it in a more modern idiom, "When we say yes to God, we really don't know what we are getting ourselves into!" But that is only partially true isn't it? For when we say yes to God, we do know we are saying yes to someone who loves us more than we can imagine, someone who only wants the best for us, and who in the Holy Family and in our own families, has shown us what He intended the family to be.

But therein lies the problem for many of us. Is this not an unattainable ideal? An ideal within the grasp of someone else's family perhaps, an ideal attained by the Holy Family certainly, but not within the realm of possibility for me or my family. But that is precisely why I said faith is an essential part of becoming a holy family. For the first thing we must realize is that faith is a gift received, not achieved. And neither is faith something passive. Like Abraham, we must act on our faith. Only then will it be credited to us as righteousness. Second, while it is true that the family is holy because God himself instituted it; it is also true that holiness is a journey, not a destination. Holiness too is a gift received, not achieved. And like faith, holiness is not passive. Holiness consists in picking up our cross daily and following the Lord. And that is the key. The Church is holy, not because each and every member of the Church is holy – would that were true – but rather because her founder, Our Lord Jesus Christ, is holy. And it is by His grace which flows into the Church, that holiness is made manifest through every one of her members who say yes to that grace! So too with the family. The family is holy because it was instituted by God, period. Members of a family reflect the inherent holiness of the family to the extent they say yes to the grace God offers to each member of the family through His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph said yes to God perfectly, and so perfectly reflected the family as God intended. But that does not mean life was easy even for them. That is, of course, unless you call fleeing for your lives on a moment's notice, having your child under a death sentence from a powerful king, moving to a foreign country and back, providing for your family from the sweat of your brow, and watching your son's excruciating death on a cross easy.

Holiness is within reach for our families too but it requires something that most of us have in very short supply – namely, humility. The humility to admit that we are not perfect and make mistakes and need God's grace every day to be the holy person we are meant to be; and what is just as important, admitting that the same is true for the other members of the family as well. This means asking for forgiveness and forgiving much more than we do. We need the humility to admit that without God's grace, we will never be the husband or father, wife or mother, son, or daughter God wants us to be. You see, for you and me, holiness does not mean perfection; our holiness lies in always getting up after we fall, it lies

DEACON RUSTY REFLECTION continued...

in never turning back on the road to holiness, it lies in relying on His grace to make up for what we lack. Our holiness lies in relying on love to supply what we ourselves lack.

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 1, 2021--Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. This year the Archbishop has given a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on this day due to the pandemic. The feast of Mary, Mother of God that we celebrate on January 1st is the oldest of all the Marian feasts in the Liturgical year. The title "Mother of God" was given to Mary at the council of Ephesus in the year 431. The Council taught that the humanity and the divinity of Jesus cannot be separated and that they exist as one person. The Mass schedule for the feast day will be:

December 31, 2020 5:15 PM Emmanuel 6:00 PM Holy Trinity

January 1, 2020 10:30 Emmanuel 12:00 Noon St. Joseph

A Special Thank You to everyone who offered prayers, cards, goodies and gifts to us during this Christmas season and to all who enhanced our Christmas liturgies by decorating, offering musical talents or assisting with the liturgical ministries. We are grateful for your kindness and for the on-going support you give to us and the parish. May God bless you abundantly in His love! Fr. Angelo, Fr. Matt & Fr. Ken

January 1st World Day of Peace. First called for by Pope Paul VI in 1968, this annual commemoration takes place on the Solemnity of Mary, the holy Mother of God (also New Year's Day and the Octave of Christmas).

Prayer asking God's Blessing in the New Year.

Remember us, O God;
from age to age be our comforter.
You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.
Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope
that is ours in the coming of Christ.
You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.
R/. Amen. (USCCB Website)

Catholics and the Covid-19 Vaccine – The United States Bishops Conference states that the vaccines developed by Moderna and Pfizer to combat Covid-19 may be morally received in light of the serious health crisis that we are facing. If you would like to learn more about the moral issues involved in the creation of a vaccine for COVID-19 please visit USCCB website at: moral-considerations-covid-vaccines (usccb.org).

Dare to Date! The Marriage Ministry of Region 7 Parishes invites you and your spouse (or fiance) to join us for a night of Praise and Worship with the Blessed Sacrament, followed by fellowship and snacks. The event will take place on January 9th from 6:30-9pm at St. Joseph's Church. We will meet in the basement of St. Joseph's rectory at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to Anna Earl at anna.earl7@gmail.com. We hope to see you there as we ring in the New Year with Jesus!

Help Meet Urgent Needs for Blood!

The Region 7 Health Ministries Team is sponsoring quarterly blood drives. Donations are critically needed as the Community Blood Center has experienced a huge number of blood drive cancellations during the pandemic. Our next drive is Wednesday, January 13th, from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM at the 340 S. Main St. Please consider donating a true gift of life! For appointments call 1-800-388-GIVE, or www.donortime.com.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Rebekka Anders Yves Benimana Michael Borgert John Carner Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles Greg Marcus Jon Chachula

Caleb Fowler Nicholas Kern Morgan Konsdorf Cody Landers Alex McGarvey Zachary McIntyre

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

Laura Chachula Gary Eilers Matthew Melvin

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for December 20, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$15,100.00 St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 1,510.00 Year-to-date Deficit: \$24,241.00

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

Prayer List

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

Parish Office Hours: Thursday, December 31st, 8:30am-11:30am; Closed on Friday, January 1, 2021.

Emmanuel's Thursday Mass Time Change...Beginning Thursday, January 7th the Mass time will move back to 7:30am at Emmanuel Church. Holy Trinity Church will continue to offer Mass at 6:00PM on Tuesday evenings for those who cannot attend morning Mass.

The 2021 offertory envelopes are here for those parishioners who asked for them. They are in the back of church. We have a few sets of envelopes left, so if anyone wants weekly offertory envelopes please call the parish office.

Feast of the Holy Family

Appropriately, the Church places this feast on the weekend following Christmas. Let us pray for our families:

Father, help us to live as the Holy Family, united in respect and love. Teach us the sanctity of human love, show us the value of family life, and help us to live in peace. We are united with Jesus, Mary, and Joseph because in your great love for us you sent your Son to live in this world and to share our human experience. Help us to love each other as you love us, and to be more aware of those families in the world who struggle with poverty, war, and disease. Bring us all to the joy and peace of your eternal home. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the Joyful Noiseletter:

Bloopers that gnash the teeth

Headline in newspaper: "New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group." - via Rev. Paul Graves Sandpoint, ID

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for December 20, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Budget: \$6,400.00 \$3,740.00

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.

Fr. Angelo and Fr. Matt

We Are So Grateful to everyone who came to help decorate the church for the holydays last Sunday and this past Wednesday. We were done in record time - One hour and many hands made for light work for all.

To all who took a snowflake from the Giving tree and those who placed socks for the homeless under it – Know that you are appreciated.

The Regional Food Pantry at Emmanuel was overwhelmed by the generosity of our parishioners who supplied Christmas presents for families in need.

The flowers in the sanctuary were given in memory of:

Daniel & Joan Schultz Patrick & Thomas Ryan

Louie Trick, Kim Trick, Cindy Griffin Frank, Josephine & Randall Cooper

Griffin & Cannon family

Justin Shoemacher John E Schneider

Al & Margaret Becker

Mr & Mrs John Braun, Ellie Braun

Martin Schulze, Susan Simmons

Patrick & Marcia Monahan

Molly Kathleen Winchester

Grady Patrick Winchester

Dec. of Herman J. Monnin family

Dec. of Charles Balsamo family

Dec. of Marvin R. Rock family

Charles & Anthony Monnin

Randy Money, Ryan Lovins

The Braun family

The Hutchison family

Charles & Mila Satalia

Thomas & Lucille Rowan

Joseph & Mary Ellen Tye

Patrick Rowan, Gerald Mott, Brigid Rowan

Eileen & Peter Slivinski

Tom & Gerry Eden

Kathleen Armstrong, "Babe" Perkins

Rosella, Oliver & Jackie Gast

Mildred & Russell Gilmore Jr.

David Gilmore

Dec. of O'Meara & Beemsterboer families

Betty & Dennis McMahon

Lucille Cordonnier

Steve Bertke

Essman & Kielbaso families

Billy Bird

Charles Berardo

William & Helen Junker



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for December 20, 2020

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$6,561.00 \$ 248.00 Charity:

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

Online giving is now available!

Just go to our website stjosephdayton.org and follow the instructions under GIFTING. If you have questions call Rita at 937-228-9272. It is still more cost effective to set up your donations via online bill pay with your bank, but if you are more comfortable using an online service please utilize our new service.

If you have ministered to the parish in some way this past year please stop by the sacristy and pick up a small token of appreciation from the parish.

The Year of St. Joseph – Pope Francis has designated this year, December 8, 2020 through December 8, 2021 as the Year of St. Joseph in honor of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, and with this, the Pope has issued an Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde*, (With a Father's Heart) dedicated to St. Joseph. Stay tuned for various ways that we will celebrate the patron of our parish this special holy year. St. Joseph, pray for us!

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

Austin Beggin & Family Ken Belcher Michell Brown **Bob Bruns** Sara Bustetter Mooneen Caufield Michael Culp Catherine DeMange John DeMange

Rita Downs Christine Durr Bennett Hart Marie Henry Rick Kaliney Alma Landry Colleen Maples Laura McHugh Vanessa Padgett Tom Puckett

Victor Polovskis Tony Riggs Janet Rudy-Gerrard Terry Schmelzer Jack Summers Rick Summers Karen Thomas Sharon Wenzel Mark Williams Linda

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH Continued...

Parish Life Center—Capital Campaign Update. Thank you to all parishioners who have made a pledge to our campaign. To date we have pledges for \$648,771! We are ever so close to our original goal of \$650,000 which makes our stretch-goal of \$750,000 all the more attainable. The stretch goal will help us balance rising costs due to an increase in square footage for the building, Covid shortages and project delays. If you have not yet made your pledge please do so by December 31st. With your help we are building for the future on the foundation of our past!

Area Activities

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 January 8-10, 2021. For more information, or to book other weekends or locations, call 800-470-2230 or email Retrouvaille.org or helpourmarriage.org.

Olivewood Carvings – Covid-19 has had a devastating effect on the economy in Bethlehem and has destroyed the tourisms sector across the Holy Land. The Christian communities in the Holy Land are experiencing serious sufferings and are looking for help. Visit the website of www.bethlehemnativitysouvenirs.com and consider purchasing authentic hand carved olivewood statues from Bethlehem.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish - Catholic-Sponsored Divorce Care We will be conducting ONLINE weekly seminar/support groups that will help you heal from the hurt you are experiencing. Invite family or friends who might live in another state or country for online divorce support too. We will be using the ZOOM platform. Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm from Jan. 7 to Apr. 8. Cost: \$20+ shipping for workbook. Scholarships are available. For more information or to register, call Marcelle Toma at 937-312-1157 (Not a texting number)

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