# **Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes March 28, 2021**

## Palm Sunday

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, March 29			
7:30 AM Holy TrinityJames & Catherine			
Puffenberger			
12:00 PM St. Joseph			
Tuesday, March 30			
12:00 PM St. JosephTom Zimmerman			
6:00 PM Holy TrinityTed Randall			
Wednesday, March 31			
7:30 AM EmmanuelSusan Simmons			
12:00 AM St. JosephCharles Anthony			
Holy Thursday, April 1, Mass of the Lord's Supper			
5:30 PM St. JosephOur country			
6:00 PM Holy TrinitySick & homebound			
parishioners 7:00 PM EmmanuelGeorge Riess			
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Good Friday, April 2			
1:00 PM EmmanuelLord's Passion			
12:00 AM St. JosephLord's Passion			
2:00 PM Holy TrinityLord's Passion			
5:30 PM EmmanuelLord's Passion			
Holy Saturday, April 3, Easter Vigil			
8:45 PM Emmanuel For our parishioners			
8:45 PM Holy TrinityFor our parishioners			
8:45 PM St. JosephAll those who are ill			
Easter Sunday, April 4			
8:30 AM Holy TrinityMr. & Mrs. Robert Buschur			
9:00 AM EmmanuelFor our parishioners			
10:00 AM St. JosephFor our parishioners			
10:30 AM EmmanuelJerry Buckley			
11:30 AM Holy TrinityDeceased of the Trick family			
12:00 PM St. JosephFor all those in need of healing			

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

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

## **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**

272 Bainbridge St. - 45402 Office: 937-228-1223

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Shaughn Phillips, Region 7 Evangelization & Young Adult Ministry

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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.

#### **DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION**

That's not fair!

Just days before Our Lord's crucifixion, all the people of Jerusalem had heralded his triumphal entry into the City of David with shouts of, "Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Just days later the very same people would be shouting, "Crucify him, crucify him!" That hardly seems fair does it?

But oddly enough, "That's not fair!" is a charge that has echoed through the ages for the entirety of all of Salvation History to the present day. But it is not a charge brought by God against man, but rather a charge man has leveled against God!

God sent us his only begotten Son to save us from our sins. There has been no greater gift, no greater sacrifice. But nevertheless, many accuse God of not being fair because his offer of salvation is not like a fad diet. Now that is an odd statement isn't it? I don't disagree, but I also think there is a fair amount of truth to it. See what you think.

A typical plan for one of these diets will say, for example, you may eat all of these particular kinds of food you want and your excess pounds will fall away within a matter of weeks. Presto, a new thinner you! Even more amazing are the diet pills or powders that you take and the weight melts away while you sleep. They never work and yet there seems to be no end of them. The next one that comes along will be THE one that finally works. But we all know what really works: eating less, eating the right things, and exercise. So why don't we just do that? It's because we, literally in this case, want to have our cake and eat it too! We want to be able to eat what we want, when we want, and in whatever quantity we want, AND at the same time be healthy and slender. It's not possible but that doesn't stop many from trying. And many take the same exact attitude towards sin and salvation.

The prophet Ezekiel once prophesied about this. He used many more words and said it much better of course, but I'll paraphrase what he said much more succinctly. Ezekiel wrote, "Thus saith the Lord, God has said, if you sin, you will die. If you turn away from sin, however, you will live. But the people protested, "That's not fair!" I want to sin and have eternal life too!" It sounds a bit more crass and childish when stripped of its biblical language but that is the essence of the complaint.

We have always been quite childish and obstinate in this regard, for it was in the Garden of Eden that God first told us that sin brings death. Adam and Eve didn't believe God then and we have been questioning God ever since haven't we? But God has with divine patience told us through the ages not to sin, to turn to him and live. And He's not doing this to keep us from something good that he simply doesn't want us to love. God is not capricious nor arbitrary. Rather, he knows sin is death and because of his great love for us, he wants us to live!

Throughout his life Our Lord taught that we must be more righteous than those considered by the Jews to have achieved the pinnacle of holiness; the scribes and Pharisees. They kept the Law and the 10 Commandments perfectly – at least in regard to external appearance, and certainly in their own estimation. But God wants more from us.

#### **DEASON RUSTY'S REFLECTION Continued...**

He wants more than appearances. He wants our hearts to be wholly for Him. He wants us to be holy inside and out. He doesn't want a cup that is clean on the outside but is full of filth on the inside.

But that's not fair we will continue to say – for that is what mankind has been saying ever since Adam and Eve and there seems to be no reason to believe that we will stop saying this anytime soon. To this, let us imagine how God might reply. Perhaps, exercising yet again His divine patience He might say: "Come, let us reason together, for indeed I agree with you that it is not fair. It is not fair that I have sent you my messengers and prophets throughout the ages only to have them ignored or worse. It is not fair that I had to send my beloved Son to you only to be rejected. It's not fair that so many despised him when he only came to heal them, and show them love and mercy. It's not fair that he was so cruelly treated by those he came to save. It's not fair that he was nailed to the cross by those to whom he gave the gift of life itself. It's not fair that knowing all this – that I am full of mercy and compassion and provide grace without measure so many refuse to accept my gift and continue to sin. You're right. No one could truthfully call what I have done "fair." To be truthful, you'd have to call it love.

#### REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dare to date! The Marriage Ministry of Region 7 parishes invites you and your spouse or fiancé to a killer night of fun and games. Join us for a murder mystery game night on Saturday, April 10th from 6:30-9pm in the Emmanuel school building. There will be social time, snacks and mystery! We're simply dying to have you there! Please rsvp to Katie Engebretsen at <a href="mailto:kengebretsen@hotmail.com">kengebretsen@hotmail.com</a>.

Lenten Pilgrimage: Clinton County, 1866, St. Columbkille Church, 73 N. Mulberry St., Wilmington, 45177, www.stcolumbkille.org On June 6, 1866 ground was broken for the first Catholic Church in Wilmington. Completion of the first church building was delayed when a tornado destroyed the roof on March 16, 1868. Parishioners were more shaken in 1882 when Fr. John O'Donoghue was murdered. The first resident pastor was Michael O'Donoghue from Ireland.

**Reflection:** Is the celebration and reception of the Eucharist the center of my spiritual life?

Miles- Exercise 90, Spiritual 235: Total weekly miles were 325. Total for the Pilgrimage 2948. Keep up the good work! Miles calculations can be found on the church websites under the Radiate Christ link, call 937-938-6286 or email ddcc2021lentenpilgrimage@gmail.com.

**2021** Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)... To make a donation online, please visit www.AOCstewardship.org. Thank you!

 This year our 2021 CMA goal: Pledges as of March 18th:

 Emmanuel Church:
 \$19,252
 \$27,582.00

 St. Joseph Church:
 \$18,192
 \$18,880.42

 Holy Trinity Church:
 \$14,465
 \$10,720.00

Holy Thursday	Good Friday	<u>Holy Saturday</u>	<u>Easter Sunday</u>
Mass of the Lord's Supper SJ - 5:30pm HT - 6:00pm EM - 7:00pm	HT – Noon Stations of the Cross 12:30pm Scriptural Rosary 1:00pm Tenebrae 2:00pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion EM – Noon Stations of the Cross; 1:00pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion 5:30pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion SJ – 1:30pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion	HT – 8:45pm Vigil EM – 8:45pm Vigil SJ – 8:45pm Vigil	8:30am – Holy Trinity 9:00am – Emmanuel 10:00am – St. Joseph 10:30am – Emmanuel 11:30am – Holy Trinity 12 Noon – St. Joseph

#### 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 Laura Chachula

Gary Eilers

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

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

## **EMMANUEL CHURCH**

#### **Generous Contributions for March 21, 2021**

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$ 4,732.00 St. Vincent de Paul: 473.20 \$14,579.00 Year-to-date Deficit:

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

#### **Prayer List**

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

#### Extra confession times this week:

St. Joseph: 11:00-11:55am on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Emmanuel: 6:30-7:30pm on Tuesday and Wednesday There are NO confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday

Divine Mercy Sunday...A celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday will be offered at Emmanuel Church on Sunday, April 11th beginning at 12:30 PM with confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Mass at 2:00 PM. The afternoon of prayer will end with the 3:00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy. During the Octave of Easter, we are invited to call upon the Divine Mercy of Jesus to guide us as we pray for the dying, for forgiveness and mercy, for conversion, for healing and for renewed hope.

New Music Scholarship Opportunity: Deadline to submit applications is Monday, April 12, 2021. If you sing or play an instrument, scholarship applications are available on our website, www.emmanuelcatholic.com or on the tables in the back of the church. For more details, contact Michelle Carner, Music Director, at 937-478-4097 or at michelle@carners.com.

40 Days for Life...Our peaceful presence of prayer in front of the abortion mill on Stroop Rd., in Kettering saves lives! Please join us during this time to make a difference in a child's life. Region 7 churches cover the hours 4-7 each Wednesday during the campaign. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com. Questions, call Gwen at 937-623-4612.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention...Sacrament of Reconciliation Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

#### From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"The secret to living well and longer is: eat half, walk double, laugh triple, and love without measure."

- Tibetan proverb

## **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

## **Generous Contributions for March 21, 2021**

Weekend Offertory: Budget: Collection \$6,400.00 \$4,747.44

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

Cleaning of the Church in preparation for Easter is tomorrow. There will be two sessions, one at 9:00 a.m. and the other at 6:00 p.m. Please, if you can, come help, we would appreciate it. Many hands will make for light work for all. We will be social distancing and masks must be worn. Thanks for your help.

Welcome to our newly registered parishioners – Ryan Deci and Maureen Dmytryk. We are happy that you have chosen to join Holy Trinity Parish.

Bell, Bells, Bells! All are invited to bring a bell to ring during the Gloria at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at 6:00 p.m. and to ring again at the Easter Vigil and the Easter Sunday Masses. Bells of all shapes and sizes will be a welcome addition to the liturgies.

Catholic Ministries Appeal – Have you made your gift to the CMA? If not, there is still time to help us reach our goal. There are pledge cards on the tables at the entrance to each aisle. If you have already mailed yours in, we thank you.



Lunch with the Lord concludes Wednesday March 31, at noon. We will be joining together to nourish our souls with conversations and prayer with the Sunday Gospel. Thank you to all

who participated in person and over Zoom.

Easter Flowers for the Sanctuary - Please place your offering in an envelope, including the name(s) of loved ones you wish to remember, and place your donation in the offertory basket. Indicate "Easter Flowers" on the outside of the envelope. For publication of names in the bulletin, names must be received by Monday, March 29.

We are Most Grateful to all who poured and parked for the St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser. And to all who made the delicious soups and breads for our lunch following the Reconciliation Service last Sunday. Thank you!

## **Lenten Almsgiving**

St. Vincent de Paul Gateway Shelter for Women and families will be the recipient of our Lenten almsgiving this year. Here is the list of needs for children who stay at the shelter.

> Coloring books for all ages Flash cards (ABC's, math, etc.) ABC and number building blocks Hooked on Phonics activities Leap Frog workbooks and activities Grade based workbooks K-8 Shape sorting puzzles and cubes Classroom marker sets Classroom crayon sets

Please leave your donations in the back of church in the boxes provided. Thanks to all who have donated so many lovely items for the kids. All the items will be delivered to the children at the shelter shortly after Easter.

The Offering on Good Friday is for the Shrines in the Holy land. Please be as generous as your means permit.

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

#### **Generous Contributions for March 21, 2021**

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$8,962.50 Charity: \$ 127.00

Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.

Fr. Angelo and Fr. Matt

Holy Year in Honor of St. Joseph - Our St. Joseph Parish in Dayton has been designated by the Archbishop as a temporary shrine in honor of St. Joseph. A pious visit to St. Joseph's church during this holy year is an occasion for receiving a plenary indulgence for those who recite an Our Father and the Creed, along with fulfillment of the other requirements for obtaining an indulgence (prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, sacramental confession, and reception of Holy Communion). Guidelines for receiving the indulgence are on the table near the altar of St. Joseph.

**There will** be an additional Mass at St. Joseph on Easter Sunday at 12 noon to help with social distancing.

As our new parish center is being built we thought it would be fun to post the various stages of construction. The roofing trusses are up and sheet rock is being nailed to exterior walls. Check out our new webpage and come back weekly to see the progress <a href="http://www.stjosephdayton.org/about-us/parish-life-center/">http://www.stjosephdayton.org/about-us/parish-life-center/</a>.

We need one more person to operate the camera for the live streaming of the Mass on Sunday's at 10:00 every other week. If you can help call Rita at 937-228-9272.

#### 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 Colette Kropp Alma Landry Colleen Maples Laura McHugh Vanessa Padgett Tom Puckett

Victor Polovskis
Tony Riggs
Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Jack Summers
Rick Summers
Karen Thomas
Fred Thompson
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 \$692.655! We've reached 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. With your help we are building for the future on the foundation of our past!

#### **Area Activities**

**Below are links to ethics information** on Moderna/Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccinations.

https://catholicaoc.org/news/from-the-archbishop/statement-on-covid-19-vaccines

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#### Senior Support and Resources in Ohio

Families and senior citizens who are looking for senior living and care options visit <a href="https://www.seniorhousingnet.com/seniors/senior-living-us/ohio">https://www.seniorhousingnet.com/seniors/senior-living-us/ohio</a>.

The Lay Ecclesial Movement Communion and Liberation would like to invite everyone to our Way of the Cross Good Friday procession around downtown UC Campus on Good Friday, April 2, 2021. We will gather at 4:00PM at St. Monica-St. George Parish Newman Center at the University of Cincinnati and conclude around 6PM. We will comply with all local COVID-regulations provided by authorities regarding gathering. Visit <a href="mailto:viacruciscincinnati@gmail.com">viacruciscincinnati@gmail.com</a>. Your questions and comments are welcome!

Please join us for a lovely evening of food and inspiration on Thursday, April 15 or Friday, April 16, as we raise support for moms and babies! Elizabeth's New Life Center's 2021 Dayton Partnership Banquet will feature guest speaker Peggy Hartshorn of Heartbeat International at the Hope Hotel in Dayton Ohio. To register to attend, visit our website at <a href="www.ElizabethNewLife.org">www.ElizabethNewLife.org</a>, or contact Lori Ernest at 937-226-7414 ext. 430, or at <a href="lernest@ElizabethNewLife.org">lernest@ElizabethNewLife.org</a>

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