

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

February 20, 2022

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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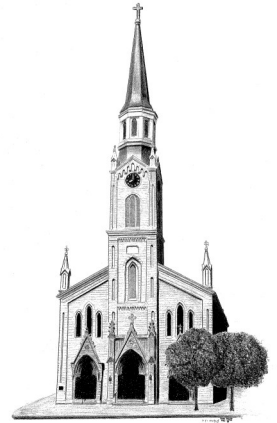
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 21

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Ralph & Charlotte Mergler
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Robert Sichman

Tuesday, February 22

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Living & deceased of Graf
Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Claude Sacksteder

Wednesday, February 23

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Ann Fettick
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Ruth Sterkel

Thursday, February 24

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Patricia Bilbrey
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Brokamp Family

Friday, February 25

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members
Cartuyvelles Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Bob & Jean Buschur

Saturday, February 26

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members
Beda & Rosa Hill Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Fred Brun
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....Aaron Kim
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....Mike McDonald

Sunday, February 27

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.....Debra Ann Ewald

Next Week's Readings:

Sirach 27:4-7; Psalms 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58;
Gospel Luke 6:39-45

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
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please contact your parish office.

DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION

Forgiveness: Saying no to anger, yes to holiness

What does it mean to forgive someone? The answer to this question is especially important not only for its own sake, but also in light of the Passion and Resurrection of Our Lord through which *we* obtain forgiveness for *our* sins; through which we are transformed from being slaves of sin into beloved sons and daughters of God. The answer to this question is important because the Holy Catholic faith we profess does not merely consist in knowing about certain historical events in the life of Our Lord or certain theological propositions. If that *were* what our faith consisted of, then we would be saved, not by the grace of Our Lord's sacrifice on the cross, but rather by going to CCD or RCIA, learning our catechism well, and passing an exam. But salvation *is* by grace through His sacrifice; salvation *is* a free gift from God that, when accepted, calls, and yes, obliges us to lead lives of continual sanctification – an obligation which includes forgiving. But even more than that. If we fully cooperate with grace, we can move beyond a mere obligation, to a sincere desire to forgive for sanctity out of a profound sense of gratitude for the forgiveness we have received. A desire to forgive is like the Father of the Prodigal Son who was anxiously scanning the horizon for any sign of his son. And when he saw him at a distance, slowing walking towards home, got up and ran to him as fast as he could to welcome him home!

Now, as I said, part of the process of sanctification, part of becoming holy is learning to forgive which sounds pretty-straight forward doesn't it? But forgiving when we've been deeply hurt is a bit more difficult and complicated isn't it? We know we need to forgive and we want to want to, but sometimes we just don't feel it. In our heart, we sometimes are deeply conflicted. C. S. Lewis captured this inner struggle quite well when he wrote: "Forgiveness is a beautiful idea – until you have something to forgive."

We see a powerful example of forgiveness in David's response to Saul who was unjustly hunting him down to kill him even though David was one of his most loyal and able subjects. If anyone had a right to be angry and resentful; if anyone was justified in exacting revenge, it was David. And oh, by the way, this was the second time Saul tried to hunt David down and kill him. Incredibly, on that occasion David had spared Saul's life in much the same way as he did today! Nevertheless, David not only said no to anger and revenge a second time, he also for a second time took pity on Saul and showed him great mercy.

In this way, the first reading teaches us that the first step in the process of forgiveness is saying no to any desire to hurt or take revenge on the person who hurt you. And it's important to understand that forgiveness *is* a process. It takes time – sometimes a lot of time. And we need to be patient with ourselves in this regard. Be that as it may, the most important part of the process we call forgiveness is taking that first step. We are to hate the sin, not the sinner. Now this might sound trite and cliché, but actually we've been doing just that, hating the sin and loving the sinner, for one person for our whole life –ourselves! And as Christians we are to love our neighbor as ourselves.

But just as important as knowing what forgiveness is, it is important to know what it is NOT. First, forgiveness is not a feeling. It's an act of the will. David likely had to marshal all the willpower he possessed to do what he did. And he likely did not *feel* like forgiving Saul whose sin was not only against him, but also his family who he also treated very unjustly. David *decided* to forgive. Neither does forgiveness mean minimizing the sin, pretending it didn't matter, or that it never happened. That is not being honest with the other person or ourselves.

In the Gospel we see the process of forgiveness brought to completion; perfected, if you will, by grace. Grace that has the power to move us beyond merely saying no to revenge, to a sincere desire to love our enemies, to doing good to those who hate you, blessing

DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION Continued...

those who curse you, praying for those who mistreat you. Notice the Gospel implies our enemies may never repent and reconciliation with them may never come. We are to love them nonetheless. From the cross, Jesus forgave everyone, even those who at the time had not repented and maybe never would.

As we consider those who we need to forgive in light of all we have been forgiven, let us ask God to give us the grace to transform our hearts into a heart full of love, even for those who have hurt us. Let us not be satisfied with merely giving up a desire for revenge, but may we honestly desire the other person's good. May we love them as we love ourselves – as Jesus loves us. Then all will be able to see that we are indeed children of the Most High.

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Parishioners,

In Very Rev. Jeff Kirch's letter last week he stated that this summer I will be given a new assignment. After ministering to you for nearly 5 years, 4 as your parochial vicar and 1 year as a transitional deacon it is hard for me to say goodbye. At the same time I am open to where ever the Holy Spirit is sending me. Pray for me, as I will be praying for you. It has been an honor to minister to you and I look forward to ministering to you in remaining months that I am with you. In Christ's Blood, Fr. Matt

AGAPE Praise & Worship Night

Join us for an evening of praise & worship on Saturday, Feb. 26, 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. There will be Eucharistic adoration, confession and intercessory prayer teams available to pray with you for any intentions on your heart. All are welcome--young and old, families, singles, couples. Fellowship and refreshments to follow at the Parish Life Center."

Refugees in the Dayton area are in need of ADULT BLANKETS, new or gently used. If you are able to contribute, please leave blankets in back of Church and mark "Refugees" Thank you for your loving concern!

We have 10 people in our Region VII RCIA program.

Please pray for them as they continue their preparation to join the Church this Easter.

Katherine Barlow	Kelly Wentling
Rod Borkenhagen	Molly Wentling
Tiffany Duffy	Sean Wentling
Megan Knife	Tom Wentling
Don Ward	Zachary Williamson

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from our parishes who has supported the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. For more information or to donate online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA. Thank you!

	Goal	Pledged
Emmanuel Parish:	\$18,918	\$11,142.00
St. Joseph Parish:	\$17,953	\$ 9,504.53
Holy Trinity Parish:	\$15,072	\$ 5,745.00

Ageless Grace is returning this month!

Register for this five week series on Mondays, Feb. 21 thru Mar. 21, from 1:30-2:30 pm at Trinity Center. Costs \$35.00 per person. A minimum of 10 registrants is needed to hold the class. To learn more or register contact Lynn Wilmes by 6 pm, Feb. 20th at 614.296.4572 or lynnwilmes3@gmail.com.

Life in the Spirit Retreat, "Fearless-By Your Spirit We Are Bold"...For teens and adults, March 18-20 at Maria Stein. A group will be going from Dayton. Questions? Contact Tanya Lee 937-885-7432. <http://www.lifeinthepirit-seminar.com/>

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Rebekka Anders	Jacob Gutwein	David Musgrove
Yves Benimana	Nicholas Kern	Diane Nyirasimbi
Michael Borgert	Morgan Konsdorf	Anthony Pelfrey
John Carner	Cody Landers	Jessica Pruitt
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Greg Marcus	Aimee Storm
Jon Chachula	Alex McGarvey	Susan Varmuza
Laura Chachula	Zachary McIntyre	Justin Williams
Caleb Fowler		

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 13, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$ 8,501.00
St. Vincent dePaul:	\$ 850.10
Year to date surplus:	\$13,766.00

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Prayer List

Virginia Allen	Gary George	Tony Rocco
Dave Cartuyvelles	Craig Hathaway	Randy Rosenthal
Nancy Cartuyvelles	George Hendrix	Robert Thoman
Michael Dalessio	Kathleen Knight	Jan Timerding
Marilyn Dehner	Trisha Junker	Special Intention
Anna Espy	Thomas Ledinsky	Adam
Annette & John Fohl	Patrick McDonald	Daniel
Cindy Gardina	Phyllis Pence	Helen
Dale		

All are invited to the Pancake breakfast fundraiser TODAY, Sunday, February 20th with serving beginning at 9:30am and continuing after the 10:30 am Mass. Freewill donations accepted for the teens going on retreats at CYSC, Steubenville, Life in the Spirit, and Catholic Family Land.

New Hymn Board – Many thanks to parishioner Mike Harman of Harmon Wood Design for designing and crafting the new hymn board located in the church sanctuary. It blends in beautifully with our liturgical furnishings.

Foundations of Evangelization will continue on Monday, February 21st at 7:00 PM in the Emmanuel School building. This week's presentation will be "Our Story in Salvation" by Christen Aquino. Please visit the parish website for further information. All are welcome!

The Emmanuel Parish Music Program Fund, established in loving memory of Mary Chachula, is an ongoing financial resource for the promotion of many facets of our music program which reach beyond the normal scope of its budget, such as providing music lesson scholarships for parishioners interested in sharing their talents with us, funding special guests, and purchase of extraordinary musical equipment or music, among other things. Donations for the continuance of this program fund are always welcome; if you would like to offer a gift, please contact Michelle Carner, Music Director, at 937-478-4097 or place your donation in the offertory collection basket in an envelope marked, "Emmanuel Parish Music Program Fund."

New Scholarship Opportunity: Do you sing or play an instrument? You may be just the person to apply for one of the scholarships offered by the fund! Application forms for 2022 with all the details may be found on the tables in the back of church. Contact Michelle Carner, Music Director, at 937-478-4097 or at michelle@carners.com with any questions.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for February 13, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Budget:	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$5,430.53

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2021 Sunday Contribution Statement are Available. If you would like one for tax purposes, please call Judi at the parish office and she will mail yours to you.

**COME ONE! COME ALL!
It's Going To Be A Good Time
Mark Your Calendar for March 5th
For Our Fish and Sausage Fry**

Our "All you can eat" Fish and Sausage Fry is Saturday, March 5 in Trinity Center. Pre-sale tickets are \$15.00; at the door \$17.00. We will be serving from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and games are from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. Tickets are available after Masses and at the parish office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

If you would like to help at the Fish Fry, please call Tracy Walsh at 937-559-2320. If you have any items that you would like to donate for the Silent Auction, she would like to hear from you also.

Baked goods will be needed and can be dropped off at the center after 2:00 p.m. March 5.

We will be doing carry outs from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. which consists of fish, sausage, fries coleslaw and beans for \$12.00. Carry out does not include any beverage.

Divine Renovations Book Study will begin a second session on Tuesday, March 1 in Trinity Center from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. All are welcome to join in learning and discussing this very interesting book about the Catholic Church. Books are available through Amazon. Please RSVP to Lynda if you are planning to come.

Ageless Grace - Registration is now open for our five week series being offered Mondays, Feb. 21 thru Mar. 21, from 1:30-2:30pm at Trinity Center for \$35.00 per person. A minimum of 10 registrants is needed to hold the class. Contact Lynn Wilmes for more information and to register by 6pm, Feb. 20th at 614.296.4572, or by email at lynnwilmes3@gmail.com.

Spring Rummage Sale – With thanks to Don Richison, the Spring Rummage will be held April 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. When you are going through things that you no longer want or need, but are still usable, please set them aside for our sale. Don requests no large or bulky items and no clothing or shoes, but welcomes all toys, books, cds, house hold items, jewelry, working small appliances and dvds. Remember that one person's junk is another person's treasure. You may drop items off on Sundays, April 3, 10 and 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Trinity Center. If you have any questions and/or would like to help, please call Don at 937-608-2178.

Our Lenten Bible Study will be held on Monday evenings in Trinity Center, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. starting March 7 for five consecutive Mondays. We will be reflecting on the Book of Genesis. Margot and Michael Merz will be our guides as we view and discuss the topic. All are welcome! Please call the parish office to let us know if you will be coming.

Lunch With The Lord continues on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. in the parish office building. Linda Middleton shares her knowledge with us and we spent time reflecting on the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. Bring your lunch, or not, and enjoy sharing the scriptures with others.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$6,947.00
Charity: \$ 215.00

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We would like to form a committee to help with the setup and cleanup of the parish center before and after events. I'm thinking funeral luncheons but there might be another event that would require help. Mostly people will set up and clean up themselves when using the parish center but funeral luncheons are a little different and an opportunity to minister to people in their time of need. Please email or call Rita if you are willing to help ritazatzjoseph@sbcglobal.net. Thank You!

We need a few more servers and Eucharist Ministers. Will you help? Call or email Rita.

Our 175th Anniversary! In the year 1847, St. Joseph parish was established at the corner of Second and Madison streets. This year we are celebrating 175 years as a parish family. The goal is to have activities throughout the year to commemorate this wonderful milestone. We're forming a committee to help get things rolling. If you would like to be a part of the committee please call Rita at the rectory.

We dropped off a wide assortment of snacks, crackers, cookies and coffee pods at Miami Valley Hospital this week as well as our poster boards with your words of thanks and encouragement. They were most appreciative of your generosity and warm wishes. Thank you for your support!

We have about 50 bricks available to be engraved at the Holy Family Grotto. This would be a great way to remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion i.e., birthday, anniversary, or wedding. Forms are available in the back of church or email Rita.

Parish Life Center

Memorial bricks donations: \$28,300 **Wish list donations:** \$44,855
Parish Life Center pledges: \$750,723
Total Donations to date: \$823,878

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

Cheryl Anderson	Marie Henry	Theresa Reiff
Austin Beggin & Family	Fran Karl	Tony Riggs
Jim Brokamp	Colette Kropp	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Bob Bruns	Alma Landry	Terri Sullivan
Sara Bustetter	Colleen Maples	Jack Summers
Mooneen Caufield	William Meikle	Rick Summers
Michael Culp	Mary Beth O'Connor	Karen Thomas
Rita Downs	Greg Osif	Tony Trick
Frank Fass	Vanessa Padgett	Joann Weisenbach
John Fitzgerald	Tom Puckett	Sharon Wenzel
Bennett Hart	Victor Polovskis	Linda
Paul Hartke		

Area Activities

What's Next: Exploring Prayerful Decision Making - Whether you are discerning your vocation, a career change, a big move, or just what's next in your life, this afternoon for young adults will offer opportunities for prayer, fellowship, Q & A and practical tips for discernment. Members of several religious communities will offer stories, examples and practical exercises to aid you in any discernment. Join us Sunday, February 27 from noon - 5:00pm in the Witzman Center at Ascension Parish, Kettering. If you have questions you can contact Jenna.Leggilegg@cpssadmin.org or Fr. Steve vocation@cpss-preciousblood.org. For more information or to register go to tinyURL.com/cincyWhatsNext

The Dayton Catholic Women's Club Scholarship assists graduating high school women of the Roman Catholic faith wishing to further their studies at an accredited technical school, junior college, community college or four-year college/university. Eligible applicants must be: A senior in high school, be a female of the Roman Catholic faith, provide proof of membership in a Dayton vicinity Roman Catholic Parish, and demonstrate financial need. Students can search and apply online through ScholarshipCONNECT. Located on the Dayton Foundation's website, ScholarshipCONNECT also provides helpful links to other scholarship and financial aid resources. Completed applications are due March 4, 2022 by 4:00 p.m.

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