

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

March 27, 2022

4th Sunday of Lent

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

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Matthew Keller, C.P.P.S.

In residence: Fr. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S.

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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 28

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Our First Communion
Students

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Patrick J. McCarthy

Tuesday, March 29

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Our Catechumens, Candidates
& Confirmandi

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....St. Romanos Choir

Wednesday, March 30

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members
of the Weixelman Family

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Ruth & Robert Deschler

Thursday, March 31

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Patricia Pillai

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....James Bauer

Friday, April 1

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Chris Enochs

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Sr. John Magdaline DSMNE
Novitiate

Saturday, April 2

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....All unborn children and their
families

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Victor Berberich

4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

5:15 PM Emmanuel.....Ralph Berry

Sunday, April 3

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Bill Siewe (C-we)

10:30 AM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Deceased members of Essman
Family

Next Week's Readings:

First Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13; Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6;
Ephesians 5: 8-14; John 9: 1-41

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

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DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION

Theme: You are the light of the world!!

Most of the time the Sunday readings contain one or two main themes that we can draw from, expand upon and thereby delve deeply into what Holy Mother Church wants us to consider with respect to our walk with the Lord. But today's readings ... today's readings are a homilist's dream because there are no less than six themes to draw from! The first is baptism. The anointing of David who was then filled with the Holy Spirit and the anointing of the blind man who was healed after washing in the Pool of Siloam both prefigure Christian baptism whereby we are cleansed and healed of original sin and are anointed priest, prophet, and king! Another theme is God's ways are not our ways which was exemplified by the failure of the holy prophet Samuel to recognize who God had chosen as King of Israel, just as we who strive for holiness can sometimes fail to see how Christ the King is to rule over EVERY aspect of our lives. The readings contrast blindness and darkness with seeing and light over 20 times and insist WE are the light of the world. We are NOT to fear the dark valley. Because we have been given grace like no one else, we are to live as no one else so those in darkness can literally and figuratively see the light!

Yet another theme is the irony of the blind man being the only one who recognizes Jesus as Lord, while those who can see desperately try to deny even knowing the blind man who has lived with and among them for decades... deliberately they wanted to remain in darkness rather than acknowledge a Messiah who was not to their liking. We see in the blind man's father and mother how fear and the desire for human respect can become a god and how that kept them from recognizing the truth. And finally, today is Laetare Sunday, the Sunday of Joy! Lent is half over and Easter is drawing near!

In the Gospel reading the Pharisees and their behavior was intriguing because it was so unreasonable, bizarre, and over the top. And I wondered if they were always like that? So, I did a little research and I found out that the Pharisees were the champions of the Jewish faith and defenders of God. They were the holiest of the holy in Israel! Now, I'm not mocking them for that is what the Pharisees were when their sect first began about 200 years before Jesus was born. At that time, the Pharisees heroically and faithfully held fast to the covenant God had established with Israel. They held fast throughout hundreds of years of foreign occupation. And while many Jews abandoned the faith of their fathers and worshipped foreign gods, the Pharisees remained faithful. So, the heritage of the Pharisees was a noble and heroic one. They were a light on the hill for all to see. They loved God and defended Him and the holy faith He had entrusted to Israel so that it might spread throughout the world! They had missionaries, they staffed synagogues, they taught the people the faith, they taught them about the Messiah who was to come and how to prepare for his coming! They were respected and admired.

And then something happened – something went wrong. Not right away and not all at once, it happened gradually, little by little... but it happened. They forgot, they forgot ... They forgot their mission, they took their eyes off the God they loved, and finally they lost sight of the fact that the ultimate goal and end of all their striving and efforts was to be with God for all eternity. They became hypocrites and blind guides. But if you asked them, they would still say all the right words! "We are children of Abraham! We do what we do for love of God, for His glory!" But sadly, they really didn't. Over time, the rules and practices they devised, their strict observance of the Law, and their man-made traditions had become their god. They turned from the light of God to the darkness of their own traditions and rules. They were blinded by the wealth, power, honor, and authority that the people showered upon them and that came to mean more to them than God did, and so their love for God grew cold. So cold that they didn't even recognize the Messiah, the source of all light who had finally come and was walking among them. Instead, the source of all Light became a became a threat, an enemy, and they sought to kill him.

DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION continued...

Because we have been given grace like no one else, we are to live as no one else so those in darkness can literally and figuratively see the light! That is why Pope Francis has called the Universal Church as a whole and each one of us individually, especially during Lent, to examine whether our love for the Lord is growing cold, whether we are slipping into hypocrisy; whether we are still the light of the world or whether we have slipped into the darkness.

Lent is a time, he continued, "to adjust life, to fix life, to change life, [and] to draw closer to the Lord." And I can't think of a more beautiful place to be than close to the Lord. Can you?

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Parishioners,

I have received my new assignment. On July 1st I will become the new pastor of St. John the Baptist Church in Glandorf, Ohio. I am excited and nervous about beginning this new assignment. Fr. Tony Fortman, C.P.P.S. is the current pastor of St. John the Baptist in Glandorf, and he will be a new Parochial Vicar in our northeast family of parishes. He is a holy, down to earth priest and loves the Lord. As I was discerning with community, he was an excellent mentor for me and is a good friend of mine. He will do an excellent job ministering to the new family of parishes. Let's hold each other in prayer as we prepare for this time of transition.
Peace, Fr. Matt Keller, C.P.P.S.

We Are Family!

A Women's Day of Prayer, Scripture, and Reflection for our new "Beacons of Light" family of parishes.

The theme: *"I Have Called You By Name"*

Join us Saturday, April 9, 10:00 – 4:00, (Lunch Provided) in the St. Joseph Parish Center at 400 E. Second Street. Our presenter will be Dennie Stieritz, retired chairperson Carroll High School Theology department, adjunct University of Dayton, Religious Studies. Registration required, so we can order meals, by April 7 at ritazatstjoseph@sbcglobal.net or call 937-228-9272.

The Ultimate Guide to Lent – Free from The Catholic Telegraph, the 2022 Guide is beautifully designed to help you experience a life-changing Lent. Equal parts practical and inspirational, the Guide is packed with recipes, ideas for prayer, saint stories, and other enjoyable content. It's totally free and sent right to your email inbox. Get yours today at www.thecatholictelegraph.com/Lent2022.

Save the date: YES (Youth Elect Service) will be June 10-11 this year. This is a service retreat for teens and adults, helping elderly parishioners with yard work and other jobs as needed. More information will be forthcoming soon.

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

2022 Catholic Ministries! Thank you for your support!

	Goal	Pledged
Emmanuel Parish:	\$18,918	\$30,013.00
St. Joseph Parish:	\$17,953	\$15,136.53
Holy Trinity Parish:	\$15,072	\$10,910.00

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$ 9,348.00
St. Vincent dePaul:	\$ 934.80
Year to date surplus:	\$12,152.00

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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		

Living Stations of the Cross a dramatic re-enactment of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion by narration, meditation, acting, and song, will be presented by our youth on April 1st at 7:00pm in the church.

First Friday Mass for healing, with anointing immediately following, on Friday, April 1st after the Living Stations of the Cross with Fr. Vincent Chembakassery. If you are sick, or have been exposed to coronavirus, Zoom in, and we will pray for you remotely: Meeting ID: 342 742 4499, Passcode: 700.

Foundations of Evangelization will continue on Monday, April 4th at 7:00pm in the Emmanuel School building. The presentation will be "Evangelization and Our Spiritual Life," with Presenter, Dan Sauer. Please visit the parish website for details. All are welcome.

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.

40 Days For Life Lenten Campaign - The Spring 2022 campaign runs March 2 through April 10th. Visit <https://40daysforlife.com> for further information.

End the Death Penalty in Ohio. There is a real possibility that we can abolish the death penalty in Ohio this year. Two key pieces of legislation, SB 108 and HB 183, have been introduced that would abolish the death penalty. The Ohio Bishops collectively and Archbishop Schnurr individually have issued statements supporting this legislation. We encourage all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to join in the effort to end this state-sanctioned violence and respect all life, from womb to tomb. Please take Action. Go to otse.org. Click on "take action."

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Budget:	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$7,185.53

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Welcome to our newly registered parishioners, Robin and Rob Wittman.

Next Sunday, April 3, we will have our Lenten Reconciliation Service following the 11:30 Mass. Please take this opportunity to come together to share scripture, pray, song and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



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Our Lenten Almsgiving Project this Year is Shoes for the Shoeless. Shoes for the Shoeless, Inc. is a local non-profit that provides new, correctly fitting gym shoes and socks to Dayton area children in desperate need. The majority of children that S4TS helps are located within the Dayton city limits.

There will be boxes in the back of church to accept your brand new gym shoes of all sizes to help alleviate the problem of kids in ill fitting shoes. The last day we will be accepting shoes is Sunday, April 10. Your kindness is much appreciated.

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be held at noon on Saturday, April 16 for children up to 10 years of age. In the mean time, our bunny needs help filling eggs. If you would like to help, please stop by the parish office and pick up some plastic eggs. Please do not go out and buy eggs, we have plenty that need to be filled.

Easter Flowers for the Sanctuary – Again this year we will be collecting donations for Easter Flowers. If you would like to help beautify the church for the Easter season, please place your donation in the collection basket marked "Easter Flowers". If you would like them in memory of a loved one, please indicate their name(s) in the envelope.

Parish Pastoral Council Nominees

We are in the process of identifying individuals who are interested in serving on our Parish Pastoral Council. Self nominations are being accepted by Judi at the parish office. If you would like to learn more about the functions of each of our commission, please go to Holytrinitydayton.org – Choose Parish Council and from the drop down menu read about each of the commissions. We would love to hear from you.

Spring Rummage Sale will be held April 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. Don Richison 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. Don is looking for some help with set up and the day of the sale.

Save the Dates for Ageless Grace this Spring – Jessica Smith of FirstLight Home Care will once again be leading this simple playful exercise program based on the science of neuroplasticity. Along with music it uses all five areas of the brain – strategic planning, memory and recall, analytic thinking, creativity and imagination, and kinesthetic learning. This seated class is beneficial to anyone of any age and mobility. Save the dates - Mondays, April 11 thru May 9, 2022 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. More information will be available in upcoming bulletins.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for March 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$10,392.00
Charity: \$ 750.00

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A ring was found in the church. If you lost one please call the rectory.

We are in need of more servers (youth or adult) at the 4:30 and 10:00 Masses. Training is provided. Will you help? Call or email Rita.

We need another person to help with the live streaming every Sunday at 10:00. The commitment would be for every third Sunday. This ministry is so important to those who aren't able to physically come to church. Training is provided. Please call or email Rita.

We have about 30 bricks available to be engraved at the Holy Family Grotto. Forms are available in the back of church or email Rita.

We are looking for a Part-time Maintenance person to help with the maintenance and upkeep of the parish buildings. The position is 15 to 20 hours a week and requires knowledge in electrical, plumbing and HVAC. Please call or email resume to Rita at ritazatstjoseph@sbcglobal.net. Questions? Call Rita at 937-228-9272.

Have you registered? If you attend Mass at St. Joe's but have never registered as a member of the parish, please consider doing so. It's easy...just call the rectory at 937-228-9272.

Parish Life Center

Memorial bricks donations: \$30,800

Wish list donations:

\$44,855

Parish Life Center pledges:

\$750,723

Total Donations to date:

\$826,378

Closer to Christ

GROW SPIRITUALLY THIS LENT

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

Cheryl Anderson
Austin Beggin & Family
Jim Brokamp
Bob Bruns
Kathy Buschur
Sara Bustetter
Mooneen Caufield
Michael Culp
Rita Downs
Frank Fass
John Fitzgerald
Jim Flynn

Bennett Hart
Paul Hartke
Marie Henry
Fran Karl
Colette Kropp
Alma Landry
Colleen Maples
William Meikle
Mary Beth O'Connor
Greg Osif
Vanessa Padgett
Tom Puckett

Victor Polovskis
Theresa Reiff
Tony Riggs
Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Terri Sullivan
Jack Summers
Rick Summers
Karen Thomas
Tony Trick
Joann Weisenbach
Sharon Wenzel
Linda

Area Activities

The Common Good in a Divided City: Racism, the Church, and the Challenge of Regional Solidarity. How can we promote the common good when we live in spaces that divide us? Is regional solidarity possible? How can the church, itself so divided, be a catalyst and partner in building the regional common good? April 1-3, at the University of Dayton. For more information visit go.udayton.edu/ferree.

TEENS, 16-18+ years old and already strong in their Catholic Faith, are invited to a deepening of that faith during the 2022 Eagle Eye Summer Institute, June 11-19, at The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein. Come join us on an eight-day summer session full of fun, friendship, recreation, prayer, and study. Exploring our theme, "Affirming the Existence of God: From the Darkness of Doubt to the Illumination of Truth" our teens will be led by the Brothers and Sisters of St. John. Eagle Eye Ministries is directed by Father Nathan Cromly. Spots are limited so [register](#) NOW!

Please join us for a wonderful evening of food and inspiration on Thursday, April 7 or Friday, April 8, as we raise support for moms and babies! Elizabeth's New Life Center's 2022 Dayton Partnership Banquet will feature guest speaker Dr. Allen Hunt at the Hope Hotel in Dayton. Register at www.ElizabethNewLife.org, or contact Lori Ernest at 937-226-7414 ext. 430, or lernerst@ElizabethNewLife.org.

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