

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

November 20, 2022

Solemnity of Christ the King

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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 21

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Marilyn Grieshop
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Kenneth J. Belcher

Tuesday, November 22

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Andrew Chiovaro
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Timmy Kuntz

Wednesday, November 23

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Louis & Joyce Schulze (66th
Wedding Anniversary Nov 22)
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mary & Bud Loges, daughter
Peggy
6:00PM Holy Trinity.....Deceased of Trick Families

Thursday, November 24

10:00 AM Emmanuel.....James & Evelyn McCarthy
Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....John Zimmerman

Friday, November 25

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Paul & Mary Hill
Family
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....William & Thelma Burkhart

Saturday, November 26

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Effie Minham
12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Carolina Piedraverdo
4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners
5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

Sunday, November 27

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Justin Shoemacher
10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Fred Brun
10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Christopher Enochs
11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalms 122: 1-9; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

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

Contact your parish office to: Register, schedule Baptism,
Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound.

DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION

The Feast of Christ the King is the culmination of the Church's liturgical year. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in response to secularism which was making its way into the fabric of society. Secularism is a philosophy that excludes God from public life – its key tenet is to think and act as if God did not exist. This feast reminds us that, in fact, Jesus Christ is the Lord and ruler of all peoples, governments, leaders, and principalities; He is the ruler of all things visible and invisible – this feast recognizes the fact that all authority in heaven and on earth is His!

But what an odd King Our Lord is! Creator and ruler of the entire universe, from the vastness of the ever-expanding material universe to the smallest infinitesimal particle in it, He rules all that is material, all that is visible but as a servant, not one to be served. And not only that, he also created and rules all that can't be seen, the spiritual and invisible domain, which includes your soul and mine, that part of us that has been united with the visible world in our bodies.

The visible universe is more immediately accessible to us but the spiritual is, in a certain sense, "more" real than the material, more perfect than the visible universe in that it has the perfection of eternity which material reality does not.

But this focus on the material and temporal to the exclusion of the spiritual and eternal, this inversion of priorities and importance, is not just academic. It plays itself out in social constructs and how we think about ourselves. If all there is, is the material visible reality, then really there is no reason why we can't redefine what it means to be, say, a person. Because if a person is just a temporary, finite, particular collection of cells and that's all, what's to prevent us from saying a person must be a USEFUL temporary, finite, and particular arrangement of cells. That way we can discard those we deem not to be useful: someone too young, too old, or defective in some way. And do we not see evidence of this type of thing as some in our culture try to separate biological gender from what it means to be a man or a woman?

But the fact is everything we see in the material world is an image, a manifestation, a participation in the perfection of something in the spiritual, invisible domain. Things like fatherhood, motherhood, family, and personhood are not social constructs that we have invented and projected up to God. On the contrary, earthly fatherhood, motherhood, family and what it means to be a person are spiritual realities that are reflected in the material visible world. We don't project them upon God, God reveals them to us! And so when we don't treat families or persons in accordance with reality, in accordance with what they really are, we call this disordered, we call this wrong, immoral, or sometimes even sin.

But that raises a question for us. What in the world is the world for if it is only an imperfect image of reality? The answer is quite simple. God made the material world, which he declared good and so it is, so that through it we might freely choose to become more perfectly conformed to that spiritual reality it is an image of, so that the material and physical world might be the means of our own perfection. Every circumstance of life, every tragedy, every joy and challenge, every moment of our lives is God giving you and me an opportunity to be more and more like Him, the perfection of all reality, the perfection of love – love Himself. That was just as true for Adam and Eve before the Fall as it is for us after the Fall.

And that is why every saint canonized by the Church saw both joys and hardships as gifts from God, as opportunities to become more like Him. That is why they reacted in love to those who hated them, why they didn't strive and grasp at some material notion of happiness, but rather wanted to be an image of Christ, whose happiness, whose perfection was not in doing His will, but rather doing the will of his Father.

DEACON RUSTY'S REFLECTION Continued...

On Calvary, the bad thief looked into Our Lord's eyes and saw someone he could use, the way he had used people his whole life. The bad thief was precious to Jesus, Jesus loved him, but Our Lord was nothing more to the bad thief than his last desperate attempt to live selfishly as he had done his whole life. The good thief looked into Our Lord's eyes and saw Jesus' love for him; a love that Our Lord had for him his whole life. But it wasn't until that moment, in his pain and agony, that he recognized it was Jesus who had been loving him all along. In that moment, he saw that though he had spent his whole life running from God, God had used every event in his life to bring him here to perfect him. A perfection that culminated in his humble request to Our Lord, Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Perfection in this life does not lie in achievement, fame, fortune, power, control, or anything else we usually associate with success. Our perfection lies in seeing EVERY event in our lives, the good, the bad, and the ugly, as grace sent by God himself to draw us ever closer to Him. Perfection in this life consists in seeing those events, those gifts of grace, as an opportunity to become ever more like our heavenly Father.

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule:

Wednesday, November 23rd,

6:00 PM Mass at Holy Trinity Church,

Thursday, November 24th,

10:00 AM Mass at Emmanuel

12:00 Noon Mass at St. Joseph Church.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day, we ask your blessings on our family, our friends, our home, our health—and on the food that we will eat. We thank you for the many gifts you have given us. Help us to remember in this time of bounty those less fortunate. And may your love consume us all that we might share in your glory. Amen.

Advent Bible Study:

Welcome the New Liturgical Year by studying the Gospel of Matthew on Mondays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5 and 12 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. Presented by Dennie Stieritz at the St. Joseph Parish Center.

Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, more than 11% of the populations lives in poverty. With this Collection, you support programs that address the root cause of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. Visit www.usccb.org/cchd.

Praise Fest is back! Friday, December 2 from 6:30 pm - 9 pm followed by a social at St. Joseph Church. All teens are invited to an evening of adoration, music, personal prayer time, and confession. Followed by fellowship. We are also in need of teens to help with the music. Please contact Tanya Lee with any questions, 937-885-7432 (call or text).

Back Inside - and out of the cold! Please join the Emmanuel St. Vincent de Paul Conference on Saturday, January 28, 2023 at Bainbridge Hall for our annual Fish and Sausage Dinner as a sit-down event with raffles, silent auction and games of chance. Watch for details coming in the next several weeks!

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	Susan Varmuza
Laura Chachula	Alex McGarvey	Justin Williams
Caleb Fowler	Zachary McIntyre	

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Nov. 13, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$ 12,196.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 1,219.60
Year to Date Deficit:	\$(20,560.00)

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Prayer List

Virginia Allen	George Hendrix	Jan Timerding
Ed Chartrand	Trisha Junker	Special Intention
Nancy Cartuyvelles	Thomas Ledinsky	Adam
Michael Dalessio	Tim McCrate	Christine
Marilyn Dehner	Patrick McDonald	Dale
Annette Fohl	Randy Rosenthal	Grant
Cindy Gardina	Katie Schultz	Justin
Gary George	Louie Schulze	Kelli
Craig Hathaway	Robert Thoman	Helen

The Thanksgiving Day Mass at Emmanuel will take place at 10:00am.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and limited office hours on Friday, Nov. 25th and Monday, Nov. 26th.

Mass Intentions...If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone please email or call the parish office. Each family may schedule 3 Masses, once everyone has had a chance to schedule Masses, we will open it up for you to schedule additional Masses.

Christmas Giving Tree Project to support Elizabeth's New Life Center will begin soon. More details in next weekend's bulletin.

Bulletins are available on our website, www.emmanuelcatholic.com/bulletins/. Archived bulletins may be found by clicking on the Bulletin Archive link. Keep informed on the happenings within our Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention... For children who suffer
We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

From the Joyful Noiseletter:

Sign seen in a store:

"Laughing at your own mistakes lengthens your life. Laughing at your spouse's mistakes shortens it."

— via Prof. John Geisler, Kalamazoo, MI

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Nov 13, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Budget:	Collection
	\$6,250.00	\$5075.00

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Our Annual Breakfast with Santa will be Sunday, December 4 starting at 9:30 a.m. in Trinity Center. It is an opportunity for all children, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to come together for a delicious breakfast and lots of fun for the kids. For children 10 and under, there will be visits and pictures with Santa, a gift, crafts to make and take. Tickets are \$10 for ages 3 through adults and \$4 for kids two and under. There are a limited number of tickets available. They are available after the Masses in the back of church and at the parish office during the week, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Fridays.

Thanks To Our Area Merchants Who Donated To Our Holiday Bazaar

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Please patronize our sponsors as a thank you for them supporting our Holiday Bazaar.

We Welcome You!

If you have been attending Holy Trinity for a while and would like to be a registered member, please call the parish office at 937-228-1223 or download a registration form at Holytrinitydayton.org.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

It is not too late to begin classes for adults who are interested in joining the Catholic church, just call the parish office. RCIA meets each Sunday from 12:45-2:00pm for prayer, instruction, and questions that you may have about the Catholic faith. We meet in the lower level of Trinity Center. Bring your questions and your curiosity.

Thank you to all the parishioner who are participating in the Holiday Giving program sponsored by the CSSMV. Once again this year we ran out of individuals who needed a little Christmas Spirit before assigning all the parishioners. The generosity of Holy Trinity parishioners is amazing.

The offertory collection Thanksgiving Eve is for Christmas Flowers in the sanctuary.

Mass intentions

We are scheduling Mass intentions for 2023. Please call Judi if you have some family members or friends you wish remembered at a Mass.

Happy Thanksgiving!

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Nov. 13, 2022

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$10,954.74
Charity: \$ 182.00

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Join us for noon Mass on Thanksgiving day to thank God for His many blessings.

Congratulations to Trevor Schroeder and Geetika Sribastava who were married at St. Joe's on Friday. We wish you much happiness.

The giving tree in the back of church will support Elizabeth New Life Center with baby items for their clients. Please take an ornament from the tree, purchase the item, and then bring the unwrapped item to church with you and place it by the tree. Please return all items by December 25th. Thank you for your support.

175th T-Shirts - Several people have expressed an interest in purchasing one of the gold and green t-shirts the committee members wore at the 175th Block Party. If you would like to purchase a t-shirt email or call Rita and provide your size. The t-shirts are \$12 each. This is a one time event and orders will only be accepted until November 21, so don't delay.

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on December 18th starting at 2:00. Please mark your calendar. All are welcome.

If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone please email or call Rita at the rectory. Each family can schedule 3 Masses, once everyone has had a chance to schedule Masses we will open it up for additional Masses.

We had several items made in remembrance of our 175th anniversary i.e., sun catchers, ornaments and greeting cards appropriate for Christmas. The picture on each item is our stained glass window in church of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. These will make wonderful Christmas gifts. Call or email 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.*

Beth Anderson	Michael Glackin	Vanessa Padgett
Cheryl Anderson	Gary Grump	Victor Polovskis
Austin Beggin & Family	Bennett Hart	Theresa Reiff
Colby Berry	Paul Hartke	Tony Riggs
Jim Brokamp	Marie Henry	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Bob Bruns	Andrea Kittel	Terri Sullivan
Kathy Buschur	Colette Kropp	Jack Summers
Sara Bustetter	Alma Landry	Karen Thomas
Mooneen Caufield	Colleen Maples	Tony Trick
Michael Culp	William Meikle	Joann Weisenbach
Rita Downs	Joe Moretto	Sharon Wenzel
John Fitzgerald	Mary Beth O'Connor	Linda
Junior Fowler	Greg Osif	

Area Activities

Juggling for Mary: Vocation, Gifts and Performing for Our Lady

All-New, Family-Friendly Christmas Exhibit. Experience the Christmas story of the Juggler as it has been adapted through the centuries in books, operas, ballets and animated films. Activities include; Live demonstrations by jugglers and other entertainers, reading nook with read-aloud story times, outdoor story walk around the UD campus, photo op, games, crafts, Nativity sets and more. Open now through January 27 from 8:30am-4:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1-4 Saturday & Sunday, Nov 19, 20, Dec 3-4, 10-11. University of Dayton Roesch Library (first-floor gallery and the Marian Library, seventh floor). Parking, directions and other information: go.udayton.edu/christmas-exhibit

Join us for a special event featuring Emanuele Fontanani of the world-renowned House of Fontanini – makers of Italian nativities for more than 110 years. Mr. Fontanini will be at the Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics on December 2nd, from 2pm-4pm to sign the touring figurine and Nativity Stories Book. Enter to win the Fontanini Raffle which includes the 2022 Tour Piece, 2021 Tour Piece, 2022 Ornament, Creche and Nativity Figurines, and the Nativity Stories Book (over \$350 value). Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Pilgrim Gift Shop or online at pilgrimgiftshop.com, 10 tickets for \$5.00

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