

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

November 27, 2022

1st Sunday of Advent

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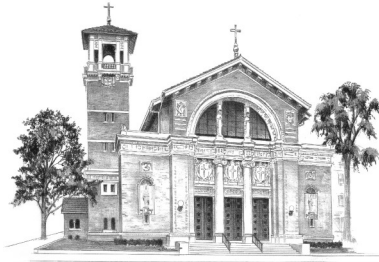
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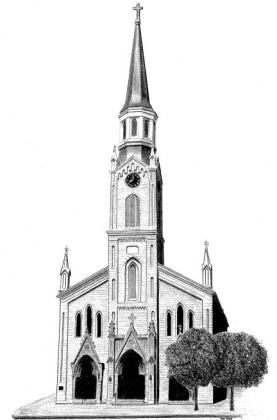
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Rita Canty

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Michael Odum

Tuesday, November 29

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Deacon Mike Leo

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Gerry & Bill Slattery

Wednesday, November 30

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Dr. John Woodruff

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mary Beckerich

Thursday, December 1

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....John & Estelle Braun

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Claude Sacksteder

Friday, December 2

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

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Dan Dalton

Saturday, December 3

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Tom & Rita Ostendorf

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Living & deceased members of the Piedraverde Family

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

5:15 PM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members of the Enochs Family

Sunday, December 4

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

10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Rita Weisenbach

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

11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Ann Thesing

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalms 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Romans 15: 4-9; Matthew 3: 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

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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.

FR. ANGELO'S REFLECTION

Today's first reading got me thinking about my first trip hiking in the Appalachian Mountains. As we went along the rocky trail you had to watch your footing and be prepared to adjust your step when an obstacle came your way. On one pass, had I not been watching, I would have stepped right on a snake that was sunning itself on the path. When we reached the summit and looked out over the deep valley and mountain range I just stood in awe of the beautiful sight. I could see why scripture looked upon a mountaintop as a dwelling place for God.

On this First Sunday of Advent the Prophet Isaiah invites us to "climb the mountain of the Lord" so that He can instruct us and guide us along the right path. We are invited to hold before our eyes the vision of a world where swords are turned into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. In the time of Isaiah there was a lot of conflict and danger. The Assyrians had taken over the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the people of God were losing hope. Isaiah offered them and us a message of hope!

As we journey with the Lord in this Advent season, we do not need to add anything more to an already busy schedule. Like my hike along the Appalachian trail our call is to be watchful and attentive to the challenges that cross our path as well as an open eye for the hand of God at work in our lives. The season of Advent is not only preparing us to celebrate the gift of Christ's birth, but it is also a time for us to be prepare for the coming of Christ in glory.

During this Advent season we can "beat our swords into plowshares," we can throw off the works of darkness by:

- Getting rid of demeaning speech or harsh words of criticism from our conversations.
- Steering clear of violent video games, movies and shows.
- Praying and working for peace in our hearts, in our families and between the families of nations.
- Encouraging children and grandchildren to be peacemakers.
- Supporting individuals and groups offering outreach to the poor or lost.
- Learning how to listen deeply before we speak.

This is an important one as we enter into this hectic season. One of my favorite quotes from St. Philip Neri says, "It is in correct proportion that we are created with two ears and one mouth—we should listen twice as much as we speak.

The season of Advent reminds us of the things we already know and helps us to put them back into perspective. All too often we go through life like sleepwalkers, going through the motions but not really engaged in living our faith boldly. You know the days, the alarm rings, we get up, clean up, eat and we're on our way to work, or school, or family obligations, doing what needs to be done but not really present to what is going on around us. As St. Paul reminds us that each day "We are to put on the Lord Jesus Christ" allowing him to live in and through us.

We begin our new liturgical year with the season of Advent, walking once more with our ancestors in faith who longed and yearned for the coming Messiah. The beauty of Advent is found in its simplicity. We don't need to add anything more to an already busy schedule. It is a matter of watching and being attentive to the hand of God at work in our lives each day; that's what it means to prepare for the day of the Lord. Jesus did not come into the world in majesty and power, but as a tiny baby. He comes to us when we least expect—in the smile of a child, the healing touch of a nurse, the listening ear of a friend or spouse, in the stillness of the night, in his living Word and in his Body and Blood we share today.

Like our ancestors in faith, we are to keep watch and stay awake for the Kingdom of God is being revealed in our midst. Watch your step! You don't want to miss God's precious gift, which will come when you least expect, in the most common and ordinary ways of life.

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Wreath Blessing (From USCCB)

Lord our God,
we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ:
he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples,
he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us,
he is the Savior of every nation.

Lord God,
let your blessing come upon us
as we light the candles of this wreath.
May the wreath and its light
be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.
May he come quickly and not delay.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. 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.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule will be:
Wednesday, December 7th, 5:15 PM at Emmanuel
Thursday, December 8th, 7:30 AM at Emmanuel
12:00 Noon at St. Joseph
6:00 PM at Holy Trinity

Advent Reconciliation Service – On Sunday, December 11th at 12:45pm we will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Holy Trinity Church in preparation for the Christmas season. Several confessors will be present to hear confessions.

Lessons and Carols – Wednesday evening, December 21st at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph's Church we will celebrate a service of scripture and song that recounts the Fall of Humanity, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each scripture lesson is followed by a carol or song that reflects the lesson's message and a brief prayer. A social gathering will follow in the parish center. This is a wonderful way to prepare for the coming of Christmas!

FORMED this Advent – Daily Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray will help us to grow closer to our Lord this Advent season using the daily Mass readings every day during the Advent and Christmas season. To sign up go to: daily.formed.org.

Reflections on "The True Meaning of Christmas" with Dr. Michael Barber. Watch this Christmas video series on FORMED. You will be delighted to learn more about the biblical accounts of Jesus' birth and the meaning behind our favorite Christmas customs. Visit FORMED.org and Click "Sign Up." Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization" find your parish by zip code or name, "St. Joseph" Enter your email and you're in!

Marion Holy Spirit Prayer Group

Join us Friday, December 2nd at St. Joseph Parish Center from 9:00-11:30 AM for a discussion on Our Lady of Knock. Then join us for confession and noon Mass at St. Joseph Church. Doors open at 8:45AM locked at 9:05AM. If late please call 937-901-4475. All are welcome.

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. Please contact Tanya Lee with any questions, 937-885-7432.

Coming soon! Please see next week's bulletin insert for details regarding our regional St. Vincent de Paul Annual Fundraiser Dinner to be held on January 28, 2023.

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. 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$ 12,986.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 1,298.60
Year to Date Deficit:	\$(15,554.00)
Human Development:	\$ 520.00

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Fr. Angelo & Fr. Seraphine*

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

Christmas Giving Tree Project to support Elizabeth's New Life Center will begin next weekend. You are invited to take an ornament from the tree located in the back of church, shop for a baby item listed on the ornament, and return the gift, unwrapped and with the ornament attached, to the Parish Office no later than Thursday, December 15th or by placing it under the Christmas tree in church by Sunday, December 18th. For more details, contact Tracy Harman, harman.tracy@yahoo.com. Thank you for your generosity!

Advent Notes from the Loft... Many people know that the Regina Coeli is the Marian antiphon for Eastertide, but do you know that there are three others, each dedicated to its own season? Advent and Christmastide give us the lovely Alma Redemptoris Mater (#85 in the missalette), written nearly a thousand years ago and translated as follows: Loving mother of our Savior, thou open gate leading us to heaven, and Star of the Sea, help thy fallen people; help all those who seek to rise again. Maiden who didst give birth, all nature wondering, to thy holy Lord Creator: Virgin before and virgin always who received from Gabriel's mouth this message from heaven, take pity on us poor sinners.

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.

Dare to date! Marriage Uncorked Ministry is hosting a Christmas white elephant exchange and newlywed game (Christmas style) on December 10th from 6:30-9pm in the Emmanuel school building. Please bring one gift, it can be a real or gag gift, and a snack to share! Babysitting is available! RSVP to Courtney Mark at marriageuncorked@gmail.com. All couples from our family of parishes are welcome!

From the Joyful Noiseletter:

Sign outside Calvary Baptist Church, Selma, NC:
"Christmas without Jesus is just a 'hollow' day."

— Lorene Irving, Lutherville Timonium, MD

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Nov 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory:	Budget:	Collection
	\$6,250.00	\$3,417.36
Human Development:		\$1,008.00

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Breakfast with Santa is next Sunday and today is your last opportunity to purchase tickets which are on sale in the back of Church after the Masses. This is a time 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.

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.

Bring Some Joy to one or more of our senior members of Holy Trinity Parish. Send a card, pay a visit or make a telephone call to let them know that we at Holy Trinity are remembering them and wish them a blessed Christmas. Simply take a snowflake from our giving tree in the sanctuary and bring a little joy to their life.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

It is not too late to begin classes for adults who are interested in joining the Catholic Church, 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. Gifts are all to be returned to the parish office by December 8, with the family number and letter on the outside of the package. Thanks so much.

Our Advent Almsgiving This Year is a request for NEW, warm gloves for children. They may be put under the tree in the sanctuary or in the branches. We will be collecting gloves until Sunday, December 18 and then they will be distributed to agencies that service children. Thank you!

Christmas Flowers: If you would like to help beautify the church for the Christmas season, we are accepting donations for the poinsettias in remembrance of your loved ones or simply to thank God for His goodness and mercy. You may place your donations, along with the name of the individual you wish remembered in an envelope marked "Christmas flowers" and place the envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. We will be accepting the names until December 18.

Thanks to all who are participating in our recycling program here at Holy Trinity. The green and yellow dumpster at the north end of Bainbridge Street are there so we can recycle magazines, newspapers, office papers and cardboard.

Please continue to bring your aluminum beverage cans to the parish when you come to Mass or when you are passing through the area, you can put them at the garage door. Please tie bags closed. We also recycle spent batteries. Please place them in the plastic tub on the steps in the vestibule, so they can be disposed of properly.

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with two ears and one mouth—
we should listen twice as much as we speak.
St. Philip Neri**

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Nov. 20, 2022

Weekend Offertory: Collection
\$6,941.00
Human Development: \$ 1,509.00

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Congratulations to Cassidy Hughes and Nicholas Lubanski who were married at St. Joe's on Saturday. 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 18th. Thank you for your support.

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.

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 228-9272.

Are you getting your estate in order?

If so, please remember St. Joseph Church. It is through the generosity of individuals like yourself who name St. Joseph in their will that the parish continues to thrive and will do so for many years to come.

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

Area Activities

Angel Night at Calvary Cemetery - December 1, 2022 from 5:30pm-8:30pm there will be tours, music, snacks and a food drive for St. Vincent De Paul. Performance Times: 6pm: Kettering Children's Choir Chorale, 6:45: Dayton Celebration Chorus, 7:30pm: Dayton Metro Barbershop Chorus, St. Nicholas will be making an appearance at 7pm in the main event tent as well! This annual tradition of Calvary Cemetery is a great family event. Please call 937-293-1221 ext. 1214 for more information.

Juggling for Mary: Vocation, Gifts and Performing for Our Lady - 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 visit: 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 2-4pm 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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