

April 6, 2025, Fifth Sunday of Lent



# SAINT GASPAR

## FAMILY OF PARISHES

### *Our Vision Statement*

We will be a vibrant, worshipping, sacrificial Catholic family who loves God and sees dignity in all humanity.

As we are fed by the Eucharist and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we will grow in our relationship with Jesus and serve those in our community.

### **Emmanuel**

149 Franklin Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.2013

### **Holy Trinity**

272 Bainbridge Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.1223

### **Precious Blood**

4961 Salem Avenue  
Dayton, OH 45416  
937.276.5954

### **Saint Joseph**

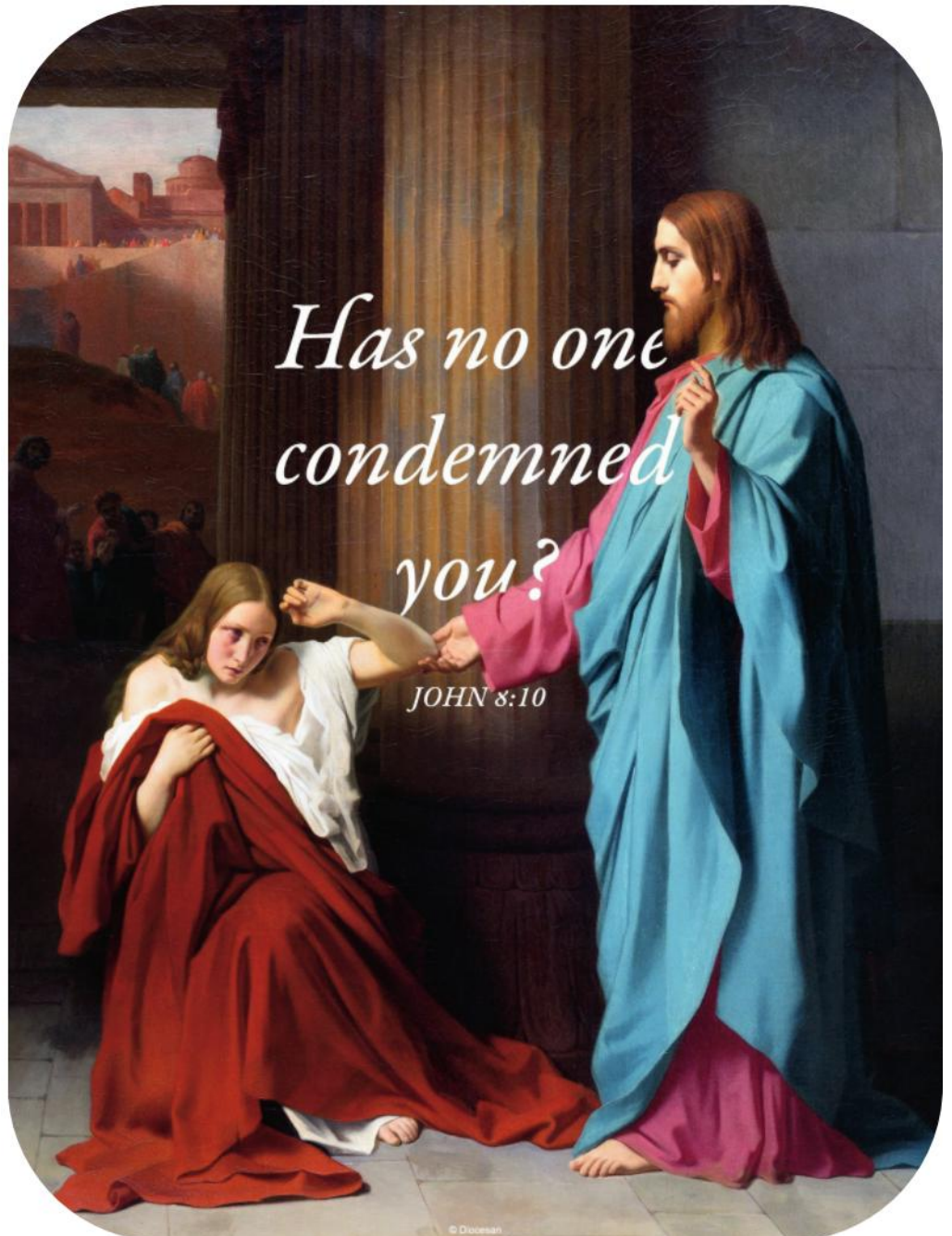
411 East Second Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.9272

### **Saint Paul**

1000 W. Wenger Road  
Englewood, OH 45322  
937.836.7535

### **Saint Rita**

5401 N. Main Street  
Dayton, OH 45415  
937.278.5815





# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes

## Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Pastor, Fr. Anthony Fortman, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar, Fr. Seraphine Lesiriam, C.P.P.S.,  
Parochial Vicar Fr. Jim "Santiago" Gaynor, C.P.P.S.



### Reflection: Casting the First Stone

*From Deacon Brian Seibert*

The story of the adulterous woman in John's Gospel is yet another attempt by the religious leaders to trap Jesus. They present Him with a dilemma that, on the surface, seems to have no right answer. According to Mosaic Law, the punishment for adultery was death by stoning. However, that same law required that both the man and the woman be condemned—yet only the woman was brought forward.

Jesus, in His divine wisdom, turns the trap back on them. Rather than engaging in legal debate, He exposes the hypocrisy of their hearts: "Let the one among you

who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." One by one, the accusers walk away, convicted by their own consciences.

But this moment isn't just about the woman—it's about all of us. Jesus teaches that even looking at another with lust is a form of adultery, making every one of us guilty. Yet, He does not condemn the woman. Instead, He takes on the role of the righteous judge, the only one who has the authority to condemn—and He chooses mercy.

We live in a world quick to judge, quick to condemn, and slow to forgive. It is easy to pick up stones, especially when we think we are justified. But Jesus reminds us that judgment belongs to God alone, who sees not just our actions but the intentions of our hearts.

This story is not just about one woman caught in sin—it is about all of us. We have all stood in her place, in need of mercy. As a community, we must create a culture where sinners find safety, but sin is not excused. Where truth and mercy walk hand in hand.

May we be slow to judge, quick to forgive, and always mindful of the mercy we ourselves have received.

Amen, Deacon Brian Seibert Sr.

## Sign Up for Flocknote

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Text: GETGASPAR to 84576



If you need assistance with signing up contact:

Joan Macpherson at 937-276-5954.



## Photo of the Week

*@St. Paul*

A grandmother shares the significance of the Lenten candle display with her granddaughter, introducing a new tradition. Photo courtesy of Michele Stolz, Encounter Team member.

# Mass Times & Intentions

## Monday, April 7, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Dr. Ann Habenicht

## Tuesday, April 8, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Rita** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Poor Souls in Purgatory

## Wednesday, April 9, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †Kathy Doncaster  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... †Salome Streaker  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... Int. of Caydence

## Thursday, April 10, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... Int. of Mildred Sadauskas  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Robert & Ruth Deschler

## Friday, April 11, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †Joyce Schulze  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... †Donna Rice  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Sam Bitonti

## Saturday, April 12, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †Niehaus Family  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Donald & Elysee Zimmerman  
 4:30 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 4:30 pm ..... **Precious Blood** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 5:00 pm ..... **Emmanuel** ..... Int. of Bill & Kathy Gerdes

## Sunday, April 13, 2025

### Palm Sunday

8:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... †Rev. Sandy Macpherson  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... †Laura Keefe  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Rita** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 10:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 10:30 am ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Alois Stenacker  
 10:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... †Jerry Heuker

## Extended Hours at Emmanuel

Emmanuel is one of three Archdiocese of Cincinnati sites for the 2025 Jubilee, with extended pilgrimage hours.

### Extended Weekday Hours:

Emmanuel Church will be open for 1 hour after each weekday Mass.

### Extended Weekend Hours:

Emmanuel Church will be open for 2 hours prior to each weekend Mass.

*Tours can be scheduled by contacting Deacon Rusty Baldwin*

# Confession Schedule

## Monday Saturday

11:30-11:50 am | St. Joseph

## Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm | Emmanuel

4:00-4:20 pm | St. Joseph

3:30-4:20 pm | Precious Blood

## Sunday

8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity



## Scripture Readings

### For the Week of April 6, 2025

<b>Monday</b>	Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:12-20
<b>Tuesday</b>	Num 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dan 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dan 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42
<b>Thursday</b>	Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59
<b>Friday</b>	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42
<b>Saturday</b>	Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11- 12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</b> Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8- 9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6- 11; Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23:1-49

## Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

Yves Benihana	Nicholas Kern
Michael Borgert	Morgan Konsdorf
Nicholas Butler	Connor "Bakir" Magill
John Carner	Greg Marcus
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Brittany Maurer
Jon Chachula	Zachary McIntyre
Laura Chachula	David Musgrove
Eric Justin Dino	Diane Nyirasimbi
Eric Raymond Dino	Anthony Pelfrey
Caleb Fowler	Gage Plasenthal
Jacob Gutwein	Matt Shulten
Christopher Harman	Luis Torres
George Hinton	Susan Varmuza
Ryan Hulsman	Justin Williams



# Parish Calendar

**Monday, April 7, 2025**

**Chair One Fitness**

4:00-4:30 pm • St. Joseph/Parish Center

**Walk with Mary (join at any time)**

7:00-8:30 pm • Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025**

**PrayerMates: Stations and Lenten Practices**

7:00-8:30 pm • Precious Blood/Church

**Soup & Stations—Final**

6:30-8:30 pm • St. Paul/Church & Mtg. Room

**Encyclical Book Read**

7:30-8:30 pm • St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Wednesday, April 9, 2025**

**Lunch with the Lord (join at any time)**

11:45 am-1:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rectory

**Stations of the Cross**

After Noon Mass • St. Joseph/Church

**SVDP NW Dayton Conference**

6:30-8:00 pm • St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Knights of Columbus Marian Council**

7:30-9:00 pm • St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Catholic Life/OCIA**

7:00-8:30 pm • Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

**Communal Penance Service**

6:00-8:30 pm • Precious Blood/Church

**Friday, April 11, 2025**

**Friday Hour**

9:00-11:00 am • Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Knights of Columbus Drive-Thru Fish Fry-Final**

5:30-7:00 pm • St. Paul/Parking Lot

**Soup and Salvation**

5:30-6:30 pm • Emmanuel/School

**Stations of the Cross**

7:00-9:00 pm • Emmanuel/Church

**Saturday, April 12, 2025**

**CCD**

9:30-11:00 am • Emmanuel/School

**Good News! Bible Study**

9:30-11:00 am • Holy Trinity/Mtg. Room

**Lenten Adoration and Benediction**

12:00-4:00 pm • St. Joseph/Church

**Dare to Date Trivia Night**

7:00-9:00 pm • Emmanuel/School

**Trivia Night**

7:00-9:00 pm • Precious Blood/Activity Center

**Sunday, April 13, 2025**

**Children's Faith Formation**

9:45-10:15 am • St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Precious Blood Companions**

1:00-2:00 pm • Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Family Rosary and Potluck**

5:00-6:30 pm • Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

## Welcome



### Recently Baptized

**@St. Paul**

Congratulations to Tessa and Travis Dwire, on the baptism of Dean Travis at St. Paul, by Deacon Brian Seibert.

Wishing you a lifetime of faith, love and joy.

### Recently Registered

**@St. Joseph**

Margaret Kramer-Powell

Welcome to our Family of Parishes. We are so happy to have you join us and we look forward to getting to know you better.

## GOOD FRIDAY CROSSWALK

### APRIL 18th, 2025

Dayton, OH



High Schoolers, Young Adults & Families are invited to join us for our Good Friday Crosswalk, starting at **9am** at Emmanuel Catholic Parish (149 Franklin Street, Dayton, OH). See registration for more details!



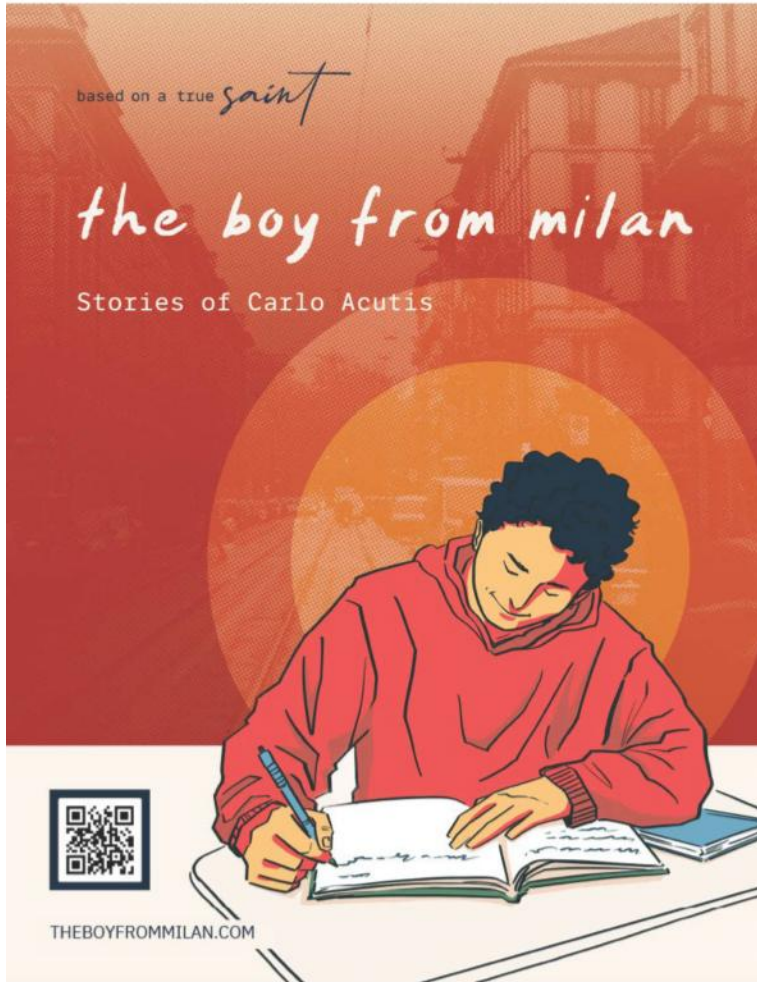
**Register here!**

RC Young Adult Events Cincy  
rcohiavalley.org

REGNUM CHRISTI

Questions? Contact:  
Barbette Whelan  
(937) 293-1438

# Our Featured Saint this Month: Carlo Acutis



## The Boy From Milan: Carlo Acutis

### *Walk with Carlo Towards Canonization*

Carlo Acutis showed us that sanctity doesn't require extraordinary gifts—just extraordinary love. As the Church prepares to declare him a saint, you're invited to join our Countdown to Canonization journey! From now until April 27th, walk alongside the first millennial saint—a regular teenager who dared to live for eternity. Sign up today to receive exclusive content delivered straight to your inbox: inspirational wallpapers, guided reflections, a special novena, and early access to The Boy from Milan trailers and clips. Discover how Carlo found holiness in daily life—and how you can too!

Visit: <https://formed.org/the-boy-from-milan>

To access our Formed account search, “St. Gaspar Family”, enter your email address and confirm your registration.

Look for more information in our upcoming bulletins.



## Devotionals

### *Miraculous Medal Novena*

Monday

11:30 am -12:30 pm · St. Rita

Tuesday

7:00-8:00 pm · Emmanuel | *Doors open at 6:00 pm*

### *PrayerMates*

Tuesday Evenings

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood

### *Benediction and Adoration*

First Thursday of the Month

6:00-7:30 pm · Precious Blood

Third Sunday of the Month

9:45 am · Holy Trinity

Saturdays during Lent

12:00-4:00 pm · St. Joseph

### *Pray the Rosary*

Monday-Saturday

12:45 pm · St. Joseph (after the Noon Mass)

Saturday

4:30 pm · Emmanuel (before 5:00 pm Mass)

Sunday

10:00 am · St. Joseph (before 10:30 am Mass)

8:00 am · Precious Blood (before 8:30 am Mass)

8:00 am · St. Rita (before 8:30 am Mass)

10:00 am · Emmanuel (before 10:30 am Mass)

10:00 am · St. Paul (before 10:30 am Mass)

## Beginning April 6

The Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary before Mass at Holy Trinity on the first Sunday of the month at 8:00 am.





# Lent's Final Days: Deeping Our Faith Before Holy Week

## Communal Reconciliation Services

*Going to communal reconciliation services during Lent is a meaningful way to prepare spiritually for Easter.*

### Thursday, April 10 at Precious Blood Church, 6:00 pm (note corrected time)

The Communal Penance Service at Precious Blood Church is a sacred gathering where we come together as a faith community to seek God's mercy and renewal. Through Scripture readings, we hear God's call to repentance; the homily deepens our understanding of His boundless forgiveness. An examination of conscience invites us to reflect on our hearts and actions, leading to an act of contrition expressing true sorrow. Individual confession takes place after the liturgy.

### Tuesday, April 15 at Emmanuel, 6:30 pm

The Communal Penance Service at Emmanuel is a time of grace and reconciliation, inviting each of us into God's mercy. From 6:30 to 8:00 pm, individual confessions provide the opportunity for personal healing and renewal. Beginning at 7:00 pm, we will enter into a time of deep prayer with Exposition and Benediction, drawing us into the presence of Christ. A homily will offer reflection and encouragement, followed by a Communion Service that nourishes our souls. We will conclude in devotion, lifting our prayers through the Miraculous Medal Novena, seeking Mary's intercession as we embrace the peace and renewal of God's forgiveness.

## Stations of the Cross

### During Lent

Emmanuel, Fridays, through April 11, at 7:00 pm.  
St. Joseph, Wednesdays, through April 16, after the Noon Mass. Please see the Good Friday stations schedule of page 7.

### Tuesday Night

### Soup and Stations

**@St. Paul, Tuesdays, through April 8, 6:30 pm**

Stations of the Cross begin at 6:30 pm, followed by a soup supper at 7:00pm. In addition to Soup and Stations Fr. Jim Gaynor will be leading a group discussion on the encyclical "Dilexit Nos" ("He Loved Us") is an encyclical issued by Pope Francis on October 24, 2024.

### Friday Night Lenten Dinners

**@St. Paul, through April 11, 5:30 PM - 7:00 pm**

The Knights will offer Friday night drive-thru dinners of fried fish, french fries and coleslaw during Lent. The cost is \$12 each plate, additional pieces of fish can be purchased. Credit Cards are accepted.

### Spend Some Time

### with our Lord this Lent

**@St. Joseph, Saturdays through April 12**

There will be Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays during Lent at St. Joseph Church following the Noon Mass until 4:00pm. There will be private meditation as well as occasional group prayer.



## Lenten Service Project

*Items Due April 13*

The Last Sunday for donations is April 13!  
Items needed: Candy, small toys such as coloring books, crayons, yoyos, bubbles, side walk chalk, jump ropes, Easter Baskets, etc.

Children's Faith Formation will put items together in baskets.  
Questions- ask Erica erudemiller@preciousbloodchurch.org,  
937-836-7535 ext 2008

## SOUP & SALVATION

**@Emmanuel, April 11**

**Beginning at 5:30 pm**

**Stations of the Cross follow at 7:00 pm**

**BREAD AND  
DRINKS  
PROVIDED**

**BRING A MEATLESS  
SOUP TO SHARE**

# HOLY WEEK



## The Sacred Triduum

The Paschal Triduum is the most solemn and sacred time of the liturgical year, commemorating the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. It begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening and concludes with celebrating the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.

## Mass Changes During the Triduum

Some of our regular Mass times change, so please note the schedule. One key change is the absence of morning Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. The absence of morning Masses during these days allows the faithful to enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ's Passion and death.

## Only One Mass on Holy Saturday

Holy Saturday is a day of silence and waiting as the Church contemplates Christ's descent into the realm of the dead. We will have one Easter Vigil, at Precious Blood beginning at 8:45 pm. Going forward we will alternate between Emmanuel and Precious Blood.

## Palm Sunday, April 13 (regular Sunday schedule)

### *Saturday, April 12*

Precious Blood - 4:30 PM  
St. Joseph - 4:30 PM  
Emmanuel - 5:00 PM

### *Sunday, April 13*

Holy Trinity - 8:30 AM  
Precious Blood - 8:30 AM  
St. Rita - 8:30 AM  
St. Joseph - 10:30 AM  
Emmanuel - 10:30 AM  
St. Paul - 10:30 AM

## Holy Thursday, April 17

### *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

St. Joseph - 5:30 PM  
Holy Trinity - 6:00 PM  
Emmanuel - 7:00 PM  
St. Paul - 7:00 PM

## Good Friday, April 18

### *Good Friday of the Lord's Passion*

#### Stations of the Cross

Emmanuel - Noon- Stations of the Cross

Holy Trinity - Noon Stations are followed by a Scriptural Rosary, at 1:00 pm the Tennebrae service takes place, with a solemn and dramatic liturgy marked by the gradual extinguishing of candles to symbolize Christ's death.

#### Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

St. Joseph - 1:30 PM  
Holy Trinity - 2:00 PM  
Emmanuel - 5:30 PM  
St. Rita - 7:00 PM

## Easter Vigil - April 19

### Precious Blood - 8:45 PM

There will be no regular morning or vigil Masses on Saturday; instead, we will celebrate one Easter Vigil as a family of parishes at Precious Blood.

## Easter Sunday - April 20 (regular Sunday schedule)



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## Preparing for Holy Week | The Augustine Institute Show

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Mark Giszczak, professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, as they walk through the liturgies of Holy Week, historical spots in the Holy Land, and how to prepare our hearts for the events of the Passion.

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.



# Trivia



## Dare to Date: Marriage Uncorked

Saturday, April 12, 2025 - 6:30-9:00 pm

Dare to Date! Marriage Uncorked invites you and your spouse or fiancée to a competitive night of trivia!

Bring a snack to share and your game face!

Babysitting is available for \$4 per child with \$15 family maximum.

Emmanuel Catholic Church  
149 Franklin St., Dayton

RSVP to Rachel Bond at [MarriageUncorked@gmail.com](mailto:MarriageUncorked@gmail.com)



Marriage Uncorked is sponsored by the Marriage Ministry Team of the Downtown Dayton Parishes.

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# BUILDING A EUCHARISTIC MARRIAGE

Marriage Enrichment Course

Dates: **APRIL 22ND-JUNE 3RD, 2025**  
**TUESDAY EVENINGS 6:30-8:30PM**

Location: St. Gasper Family of Parishes  
St. Joseph's Parish Center  
411 East Second Street  
Dayton, OH 45402



**Space is limited - to register call:**  
**937.262.7010**

**Greg Schutte, MSW, LISW-S**  
Senior Director of Marriage Works! Ohio  
Catholic Therapist & Author



\*Childcare **not** scheduled to be available at this time



## Facilities Update: Proposed High Altar for St. Paul

In response to numerous requests from our parish community, the St. Paul Campus of the Saint Gaspar Family of Parishes is exploring the possibility of restoring the Tabernacle to the sanctuary. Many parishioners have expressed a strong desire to have the Blessed Sacrament more prominently placed within the main body of the church, creating a more profound sense of reverence and accessibility for prayer and worship.

To that end, we are developing a proposal to create an Altar of Repose in the sanctuary, which would serve as a beautifully adorned and sacred space for the reservation of the Eucharist. This design has been carefully planned to complement the existing worship space while maintaining the central focus on the Eucharistic celebration.

Constructed from custom-matched oak-stained wood and granite, the structure would mirror the materials of the main altar, giving the appearance of having always belonged in the space. Additionally, two luminaries would be added to signify Christ's presence.

Following discussions with parishioners and consultations with the pastoral and finance councils on July 16, 2024, there was a strong consensus to pursue this project. However, please note that we are still in the process of seeking necessary approvals from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The project cannot move forward until this approval is granted.

We appreciate the continued prayers and support of our parish family as we work toward this important effort. Updates will be provided as we receive further guidance from the Archdiocese. Please direct questions to Deacon Brian Seibert.

## For Families and Friends

### Trivia Night

**@Precious Blood, Saturday, April 12, beginning at 7:00 pm**

Join the fun and fellowship at our Trivia night Saturday, April 12th, at 7:00 pm in the Precious Blood Parish Activity Center! Whether you know a lot of trivia or not, everyone will be able to contribute as we are presented with a wide range of general trivia categories and questions. We have a great time each month, and we'd love to see new faces. So come join us as a team, a couple, or an individual. Everyone from the St. Gaspar community is invited! Donation is \$5.00 per person, used to help defray the cost of prizes. You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks if you desire, and we'll provide some too.

### Family Rosary and Potluck

**@Precious Blood, Sunday, April 13, beginning at 5:00 pm**

The evening begins with the Rosary, followed by food and fellowship, making it a wonderful opportunity for families to come together in prayer and community. We provide fried chicken and drinks, and we invite you to bring casseroles, salads, and desserts to share. It's a perfect way to end your weekend with spiritual nourishment and quality family time. No need to RSVP. Family Rosary is also available at St. Joseph on the fourth Sunday of the month.

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt

**@Holy Trinity Saturday, April 19 at 12:00 pm**

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 19 at noon on the grounds at Holy Trinity. If you would like to help fill plastic eggs for the hunt, please stop by the office at Holy Trinity and pick some up. Please, don't go out and buy them, we have plenty to share.

### Blessing of the Easter Food

**@St. Paul, Saturday, April 19, 12:00 pm**

Bring your Easter food and Easter Baskets to be blessed at St. Paul before Easter.

We will meet outside for the blessing.





# OHIOANS TO STOP EXECUTIONS



## Divine Mercy and the Death Penalty

**@St. Joseph Center, April 27, beginning at 11:45 am**

On Sunday, April 27, Divine Mercy Sunday, please join us for an informative presentation regarding ending the death penalty in Ohio. The presenters will be Michael R. Merz presenting the Catholic Church's position and Kendall White, Deputy Director for Ohioans to Stop Executions (OTSE).

This program will be held after the 10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in the Parish Life Center located at 400 E. 2 nd St., Dayton, OH. A light lunch will be served beginning about 11:45 am in the Center with presentations to follow and concluding around 2:00 pm.

Ohioans to Stop Executions (OTSE) is the only single-issue death penalty repeal organization in Ohio. OTSE represents millions of Ohioans who oppose the death penalty, and we are the lead organization in the #NoDeathPenaltyOhio campaign to abolish Ohio's capital punishment system.

For more information on OTSE, go to the website at <https://otse.org>


For more information on the Church's position, go to: <https://catholicaoc.org>.

For questions, please contact Leslie Iannarino at [leslieiannarino@hotmail.com](mailto:leslieiannarino@hotmail.com)

This program is jointly supported and sponsored by:

- Holy Trinity Church Education and Social Action Ministry
- Knights of Columbus Council 500 and Marian Council 3754
- St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Right to Life Ministry

WOMEN OF  
HOPE



BUT AS FOR ME, I WILL ALWAYS HAVE HOPE  
-PSALM 71:14

## Rummage Sale Drop-Off This Sunday!

**@Trinity Center, April 6, 13 and 27**

**9:30 am-1:00 pm**

Planning to downsize, declutter, or organize the household in 2025 and wondering what to do with your unwanted or no longer needed treasures? Consider passing them along to Holy Trinity to be used in their annual Rummage Sale in May. Drop off is at Trinity Center at the north door.

Drop off is open to all of the Saint Gaspar's family parishes. Please no furniture, clothes, or shoes.

## Shop and Support our Rummage Sale!

**@TrinityCenter, May 3 & 4**

Holy Trinity's annual Rummage Sale will be held May 3, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and May 4, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm for all in our family of parishes to attend.

## Come Brunch with Us!

**@St. Joseph, Sunday, April 13,  
after the 10:30am Mass.**

If you would like to add to the brunch selection, items can be dropped off before Mass, starting at 10:00 am.

## 5th Annual Women's Day: Women of Hope

**@Trinity Center, Saturday, May 17**

Please join us for a lovely day designed especially for the women of our parishes. Our day will include three presentations, a special craft session, delicious food and inspirational prayers to uplift your spirit and renew your hope. Joyce Ann Zimmerman, C.P.P.S., PhD., S.T.D. will kick off our day reflecting on Hope: Surrender to Goodness Always and Everywhere. Sr. Joyce is the Director of the Institute For Liturgical Ministry in Dayton.

Time is 8:30 am – 2:30 pm at Holy Trinity Center. Cost is \$30.00 (scholarships available). Pre-registration is required, Registration to open on April 11, 2025, with deadline May 9, 2025. Seating is limited to 50 people. *Watch upcoming bulletins and the Holy Trinity Church website for more details.*

## Our Stewardship

### **Emmanuel, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$4,814

SVDP ..... \$481

### **Holy Trinity, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$2,662

Outreach ..... \$

### **Precious Blood, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$6,142

St. Vincent De Paul ..... \$137

### **Saint Paul, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$2,904

St. Vincent de Paul ..... \$

### **Saint Joseph, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$8,079

Charity ..... \$249

Pipe Organ to Date ..... \$171,814

### **Saint Rita, March 23, 2025**

Sunday Collection ..... \$6,181

St. Vincent De Paul ..... \$137

## Online Giving



### **Holy Trinity**

[holyltrinitydayton.org/  
online-giving/](https://holyltrinitydayton.org/online-giving/)



### **Precious Blood,**

### **St. Paul and St. Rita**

[northwestdaytoncatholic.org/  
donations/](https://northwestdaytoncatholic.org/donations/)



### **St. Joseph**

[members.myeoffering.com/  
#/landing](https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing)



### **Emmanuel**

[osvhub.com/  
emmanuelchurch/giving/  
funds](https://osvhub.com/emmanuelchurch/giving/funds)



March 5 - April 13

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

## Help Save Lives in Dayton

Join this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers! With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over 25,000 saved babies
- More than 150 closed facilities
- More than 250 converted workers

## Vigil location:

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# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Directory & Parish Information

## Parish Information

### **Baptisms**

Call your parish office to schedule. If this is your first child or if you have never attended a baptism class, please call your parish office to register for a baptismal preparation class.

### **Baptismal Preparation Class**

You may attend class at any of our Family of Parishes. Registration is required.

To register contact your parish office.

### **Communion for the Homebound**

Parishioners, who are confined to their homes and wish to receive Communion, please call your Parish Office.

### **Marriage**

Please call your Parish Office at least six months in advance to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

### **OCIA and Catholic Life**

For those adults wishing to enter the Catholic Church, St. Gaspar Family of Parishes has two programs:

#### **Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm**

Catholic Life meets at Precious Blood Church on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The program is year round and you can join at any time. Contact Curtis Kneblak for more information: 937-276-5954 ext. 2111 or via email: ckneblak@preciousbloodchurch.org.

#### **Thursday Evenings at 5:30 pm**

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults), offers a welcoming pathway for individuals embarking on the journey of joining the Catholic Church. Contact Lynda Middleton for more information: 937-228-1223 or via email: lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com.

### **Live Stream Mass**

#### **Precious Blood Church, Sunday, 8:30 am**

Visit: <https://northwestdaytoncatholic.org/livestream/>

#### **St. Joseph Church, Sunday, 10:30 am**

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## Staff Directory

### **Pastoral Staff**

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## Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin Date: April 20, 2025

Articles Due: April 10, 2025

Ministry leaders should send information to the Communications Manager, Joan Macpherson via email at: jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org.

### **Full Page Flyer**

Full page flyers for parish events will be included when space allows. Flyers will be accepted in the form of Word documents or PDFs., JPEGs. Scans will not be accepted.

## Stephen Ministry

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# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List

Our six parishes have combined their prayer lists into one, symbolizing our unity and shared faith.  
Names in bold represent new additions.

## St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List as of 3/31/2025

### Tomasina Asterino Jones

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Terry Driver

Fran Franchina

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Janet Rudy-Gerrard

Jeffrey Glackin

Michael Glackin

O'Dell & Shari Graves

**Carol Greer**

Sean & Nancy Hathaway

Joyce Heuker

John & Joan Jankowski

**John Kimble**

**Margie Krisher**

Colette Ann Kropp

**Phil Lange**

**Amy Michel-Magan**

Diane Meier

**Pamm Nevels**

Pope Francis

Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

Debbie Shively

**Conrad Slorp**

**Ted Sollmann**

**Mike Tanner**

Catherine Winkler

### **Prayer List Guidelines**

*New names appear in bold.*

*Names remain on the prayer list for four weeks unless we are notified otherwise.*

### **Adding a name to the prayer list:**

*The St. Gaspar Family of parishes prayer list is faithfully maintained by staff member Nancy Burton.*

*If you would like to add a name to the prayers list you may call your parish office or email Nancy directly at: [nburton@preciousbloodchurch.org](mailto:nburton@preciousbloodchurch.org).*

With Sympathy for those we have lost: Precious Blood parishioner Kelly Webster. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace" is a common and traditional prayer used to remember and honor those who have passed away, seeking God's mercy and eternal rest for their souls.

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