

May 18, 2025, 5th Sunday of Easter



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

love
one
another



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.

Pastor's Desk

In John's gospel today we hear,
"When Judas had left them, Jesus said,
"Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.
If God is glorified in him,
God will also glorify him in himself,
and God will glorify him at once.
My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.
I give you a new commandment: love one another.
As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.
This is how all will know that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another."

These are simple words from Christ. But loving others is very difficult. In fact, I don't believe we can love people the way they deserve to be loved without God's divine intervention. This means that we need to be in prayer and lift people up in prayer each day of our lives. You and I cannot make love up. We cannot contrive it or store it up. But when we love, others will know that Christ is in us and working through us. If you have the faith to move mountains but do not have love, your faith is weak.

Jesus gives us a commandment to love. This is not a suggestion. If we are going to be on Jesus's team, we have to obey, even if our feelings get in the way. If we're finding it

hard to love a person, then we have to call on the Lord. He will give you the ability to love when you don't want to love. Again, you can't be a disciple of Jesus on your own power. You need to find intervention from Jesus. It's Jesus's way, not our way.

As we continue Beacons of Light, let us continue to be merciful and loving to one another as a St. Gaspar Family of Parishes. We operate according to God's command.

The Catholic Church is not defined as a non-governmental organization or a nonprofit organization. We have a mission. We have a mission to love, teach morality, and spread the gospel. We are different than the world. We are not a business. Thank you all for everything you do.

God bless you all.

Fr. Tony Fortman

Welcome New Parishioners

@St. Paul

- Zachary & Lindsay Sturwold, children Juniper & Logan

@Precious Blood

- Gabriel & Anna Newburg, son Bo
- Taylor Bridgett
- Logan Gonzalez & Jean Pauline Arcita, daughter Sadielle



Photo of the Week

Mother Brunner hosted their 2025 Annual Art Fair on Friday, May 9. Students filled the gym with their artwork for grades Pre-k through 8.

Scan the QR code to view the photos.



Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, May 19, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's Intention
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Thecla Zech
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** Int. of Michael Klein

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's intention
 8:30 am **St. Rita** †Virginia & Roger Jette
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** Int. of Mark, Carl & Lia Brzozowski

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Joseph Croghan
 8:30 am **St. Paul** Celebrant's Intention
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Roberta Antolini

Thursday, May 22, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Effie M. Minham
 8:30 am **St. Paul** Celebrant's Intention
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Charles Sprauer

Friday, May 23, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Joyce Schulze
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Ted Hummel
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Joel Johnson

Saturday, May 24, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Niehaus Family
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Jack Thompson
 4:30 pm **St. Joseph** For Our Parishioners
 4:30 pm **St. Paul** Celebrant's Intention
 5:00 pm **Emmanuel** For Our Parishioners

Sunday, May 25, 2025

8:30 am **Holy Trinity** For Our Parishioners
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Ben Marapese
 8:30 am **St. Rita** †Dec. Members of the Ballman & Kronenberger Family
 10:30 am **Emmanuel** Int. of Kim Izor & Family
 10:30 am **St. Joseph** †Sam Bitonti
 10:30 am **St. Paul** Int. for Lou Vitangeli's 80th birthday

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 | St. Paul

Sunday

8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity

Requesting a Mass to be offered

A Mass Intention can be requested for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Mass intentions for 2025 can be scheduled by calling your parish office.



Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 18, 2025

Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 4:23-29

Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

Yves Benihana
 Michael Borgert
 Nicholas Butler
 John Carner
 Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles
 Jon Chachula
 Laura Chachula
 Eric Justin Dino
 Eric Raymond Dino
 Caleb Fowler
 Jacob Gutwein
 Christopher Harman
 George Hinton
 Ryan Hulsman

Nicholas Kern
 Morgan Konsdorf
 Connor "Bakir" Magill
 Greg Marcus
 Brittany Maurer
 Zachary McIntyre
 David Musgrove
 Diane Nyirasimbi
 Anthony Pelfrey
 Gage Plasenthal
 Matt Shulten
 Luis Torres
 Susan Varmuza
 Justin Williams

Parish Calendar

Monday, May 19, 2025

God's Garden Work Day

7:00-8:00 pm • St. Paul/Garden

Respect Life Group Meeting

6:30-8:30 pm • St. Joseph/Parish Life Center

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Marriage Works

6:30-8:30 pm • St. Joseph/Parish Center

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Lunch with the Lord (join at any time)

11:45 am-1:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rector's

Senior Program and Lunch

12:00 –2:00 pm • St. Paul/Annex

Thursday, May 22, 2025

God's Garden Work Day

9:00-10:30 am • St. Paul/Garden

Home School Picnic

10:00-11:30 am • Emmanuel/Church & School

OCIA

5:30-7:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rector's

Friday, May 23, 2025

Friday Hour

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

Saturday, May 24, 2025

No Parish Events

Sunday, May 25, 2025

No Parish Events

NATO Parliamentary Assembly

May 22-26, 2025 in Downtown Dayton

Our three downtown Dayton parishes are not directly impacted by the road closures, but we want our parishioners to know that traffic will be impacted due to so many streets being closed off. Please allow yourself more time to arrive to church, attend events and more.

The road closures are scheduled to begin May 20 and go through May 27.

Parish Offices will be closed Memorial Day

Monday, May 25, 2025

Communication Update

Beacons of Light: Phase 3

Since beginning the *Beacons of Light* journey in July 2022, our St. Gaspar Family of Parishes has made great strides in coming together as one vibrant faith community. This year, we've celebrated several unified milestones—one Easter Vigil, one Confirmation Mass (2024), and now, we're preparing for our first shared Vacation Bible School Program.

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be concluding Phase 3: Culture. This phase focuses on building a unified and vibrant parish culture. It encourages our leadership teams to align their efforts with the broader vision of a thriving, missionary Church.

As we grow together as one Family, we honor the rich history and unique traditions of each of our six parishes. With compassion and a spirit of collaboration, we are working to blend our diverse cultures into a shared mission—moving from maintenance to meaningful mission in Christ.

For more information about Beacons of Light visit:

<https://pathway.catholicaoc.org/>

Next Generation Parish

Alongside *Beacons of Light*, we are also participating in the *Next Generation Parish* initiative, guided by the Catholic Leadership Institute. This program helps pastors, lay leaders, and parish teams grow in confidence and leadership, so we can more effectively serve our communities and build vibrant faith experiences rooted in Jesus Christ. We are currently completing **Phase 3** of this four-phase initiative and are excited to invite everyone to celebrate **Trinity Sunday** at the 8:30 am Mass at Holy Trinity on June 15. The Mass is followed by brunch under the big white tent, with games, raffles and more. Whether you'd like to participate or volunteer, we'd love for everyone in our Family of Parishes to be part of this special day. And don't miss our first ever **Family of Parishes Picnic** on Saturday, August 10, at St. Paul—a day full of community, food, and fun!



Sinclair Intern Thank You

"I had a wonderful four-month internship with Parish Communications at St. Gaspar Family of Parishes. It was a valuable opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills I've gained from my Communication major at Sinclair in a real working environment. Along the way, I met and learned from incredible parishioners, and the experience left a lasting impression on me." - Kresensia Kurniawati

St Gaspar Respect Life Group Meeting

@St. Joseph Parish Center, Monday, May 19

Help to build a culture of life in our local community!
The St Gaspar Respect Life Group invites you to our next group meeting, Monday, May 19th, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, at the St. Joseph Parish Life Center, 411 East Second Street, Dayton. Together we are powerful.

For more information about what we do, contact your Parish Coordinator:

Emmanuel – Mark & Nancy Miller, markm5704@gmail.com

Holy Trinity – Karen Averbeck, kmaverbeck@aol.com

Precious Blood – Rosie Prier, mprier1@gmail.com

St Joseph – MaryJo Klein,
klein.maryjo@immaculateheartcoop.net

St Paul – Mike & Sally Boston, kkkkboston@aol.com

Bottles for Babies

Bottles for Babies will run through Father's Day. You can pick up a bottle at church, fill it with coins, cash or a check. Proceeds benefit Elizabeth New Life Center.



Saint Rita

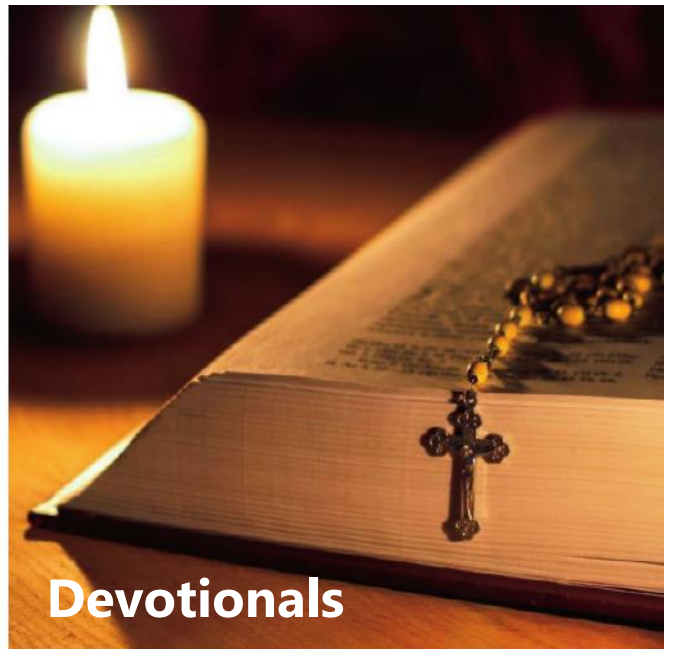
To access our account search: St. Gaspar

St. Rita of Cascia is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. Her story and love for Christ will inspire you to great holiness!

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



An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE



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*

Benediction and Adoration

First Thursday of the Month

6:00-7:30 pm · St. Paul

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

7:55 am · St. Rita (before 8:30 am Mass)

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

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

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

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

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



Missionary Disciples

By Parishioner Tim Burneka

In January of this year, I was blessed to participate in the Parish Missionary Disciples training program, led by representatives from the Catholic Leadership Institute. Four training workshops were held from January through April. The intent of the training is to develop Parish Missionary Disciples, throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, who with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are called to respectfully witness for Christ, proclaim the Gospel message and provide a pathway for parishes to transform other Catholic believers into missionary disciples. This aligns with the Beacons of Light Program that began in 2021, to help prepare for the realities of declining vocations and disaffiliation of young adults from the Church.

The workshops took place at St. Francis DeSales parish in Lebanon. There was representation from Our Lady of Fatima, St. Gasper, Our Lady of Light, Mother of God, St. Maximilian Kolbe and Our Lady of Hope, families of parishes.

During the workshops we shared in prayer, fellowship, and learned various aspects of Catholic teaching. We discussed and learned of the challenges facing the Church and need for greater grass roots participation in the life of the Church. Through one on one, and group sessions we learned more about each other and what is going on in other parishes within the Archdiocese. The workshops enabled understanding of our discipleship maturity. Fellow brothers and sisters shared stories of their faith journeys; the good and the bad. In turn, it provided a greater understanding of our human frailty and sinfulness. The workshops highlighted our need for God and His love for all of us. We had an opportunity to spend time together in Eucharistic adoration and participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Overall, the workshops provided opportunities to reflect and gain

clarity about the importance of our mission inside our parish families and beyond.

What is most important is: it is not about me, it is about us, and doing God's will, without reservation.

We are meant to love; this is the greatest of all virtues. St. Therese of Lisieux, in her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul* said shortly before her death: "I feel my mission is soon to begin, to make others love God as I do, to teach others my "Little Way." Her "Little Way" is about being spiritually childlike. It is about trusting in Jesus and doing his will through complete self-surrender and through the offering of small sacrifices daily to demonstrate our love for Him. She compared her "Little Way" to the smallest of flowers, low to the ground that one must stoop over more to pick. While not as grand as the Lillies, they are still beautiful, fragrant, and pleasing to God.

So, what does it mean to be missionary disciple?

A missionary disciple is one who "is sent out" to learn. Mission comes from the Latin root "missio" meaning the act of sending. Disciple comes from the Latin root "discipulus" meaning learner, or one who "is taught." Through these workshops, I gained greater insight into our common struggles and the importance of faith. I dedicated myself to being a disciple of Christ and by his grace will continue to grow in my love for him and others. I will do this by continuing to improve my prayer life and spend more time each day to give thanks for this life and the precious gifts he has given me. I will continue my journey to grow in faith and love for all. It is with great hope, that with the guidance of our Blessed Mother and through Christ' mercy and graces, we may all find our way home to God's heavenly kingdom.

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In summary, we are all called to be Missionary Disciples and actively participate in the life of the Church. We do this by developing daily habits of prayer and spending time, in silence, with God. We do this by continuing to build our relationship with Him, and by doing this, grow ever more in our love for Him. We do this through active and regular use of the sacrament of Reconciliation. We do this by going to church and regularly participating in the Holy sacrifice of the Mass and reception of the Holy Eucharist. We do this by participating in our Lay Ministries and charitable organizations in and outside of our parish community. Most importantly, we do this by actively witnessing, in our daily lives, the Gospel message and showing Christ to others through us. We can start by introducing ourselves, and getting to know, our “pew neighbors” and put names with the smiling faces we see.

Let us join and become Missionary Disciples together, with our St Gaspar family.

Yours in Christ,

Tim Burneka

Parishioner, St. Paul



Notes from Emmanuel's Choir Loft

From Music Director, Michele Carner

Our entrance hymn, “Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain,” was composed by the eighth-century poet and theologian St. John Damascene and is here translated by the peerless John M. Neale (1818-1866). After great earthly success, at the age of forty St. John became discontented with his life, gave away his possessions, and freed his slaves. He and his adopted brother Cosmas retired to the monastery of St. Sabas near Jerusalem, where the monks grew jealous of their talent and distressed by their constant singing, until Patriarch John V intervened.

St. John's greatest musical works were six canons for the major festivals of the Church year; today's text is, of course, from the Easter canon. (Sources: hymnary.org and Rutler's The Stories of Hymns.)

**Senior Program and Lunch
@St. Paul, Wednesday, May 21
Sponsored by Cypress Pointe**

**Lets
PLAY
BINGO!**

RSVP by Monday, May 20: 937-836-7535



Encounter Week III

The Beauty of Meditation

In this third week of the Encounter Team's focus on forms of prayer, we cordially invite you to turn to the sheer and simple beauty of meditation, as a form of prayer lifting yourself into the presence of our good, tender and mysterious God. Meditation is unique, in that you center yourself more and more in the Life and Light of God's holy, loving presence. You empty yourself of your own concerns and needs before the awesome Light coming from the heart of God.

The question remains: "How do I practice meditative prayer?"

Lectio Divina is one form of meditation and prayer. It has five steps:

- Read a single passage of Sacred Scripture.
- Pray over the text, and have a loving conversation with God.
- Meditate deeply on the meaning within the text, or a single phrase.
- Contemplate by resting in God's gentle presence.
- Take action by doing or living out the Gospel Good News.

Study of Scripture for reflection, and the praying of the Mysteries of the Life of Christ and Mary in the Holy Rosary are also great examples of meditative prayer.

We urge you to enter into this warm and gentle silence of a God who wishes to vibrantly live in our hearts and souls. We remind you again to first invite the Holy Spirit into your lives and hearts — to become the centering and holy presence of your meditative prayer.

Come, O Holy Spirit come!

**"Rather, the Law of the Lord is
our joy;
and on his Law we meditate
day and night."**

(Psalm 1:2)

**"I remember. At night I
ponder in my heart;
and as I meditate, my heart
probes."**

(Psalm 77:7)



Family Rosary Craft

Praying the Rosary together as a family is a powerful way to grow in faith, strengthen your bond, and invite peace into your home. Setting aside time each week to reflect on the mysteries of the Rosary encourages meaningful conversation, shared reflection, and spiritual unity across generations. To make this tradition even more special, try creating your own family rosary with a hands-on craft project that children and adults alike can enjoy.



Scan the QR code for step by step instructions on how to make the above craft.

Vacation Bible School

One Program

Two Campuses!



We are excited to invite you and your children to join us for The Great Journey—a vibrant and faith-filled Vacation Bible School experience where kids will discover the life of Christ and grow closer to Him by traveling through the seasons of the Church year. From Advent to Easter, children will explore the richness of our Catholic faith through engaging music from Cat.Chat, dynamic videos, hands-on crafts, themed snacks, faith-filled stories of the Saints, games, and more. This year, we are thrilled to offer this program as one united family of parishes, hosted on two separate dates and locations for your convenience: Emmanuel Church and St. Paul Parish.

Though the experience will be the same at both sites, each parish has its own registration process:

We are truly looking forward to journeying together with your children as they discover the beauty and meaning of each liturgical season—and as our parishes come together in faith, fellowship, and fun.

Emmanuel: June 9-13, 2025

Register

@ Emmanuel, June 9-13, from 9:00-12:00 pm

For ages 4-11 (deadline June 1)

Emmanuel: Online registration is available—quick, simple, and accessible from home. Make checks payable to Emmanuel.

You can also pick up a paper copy in church or the parish office.

An electronic payment option will be offered soon.

Link to Register and/or volunteer:

<https://vbsregistration.ca/event/event-3204/>

1 child (\$20)
2 children (\$40)
3+ children (\$50)



St. Paul: June 16-20, 2025

Register

@ St. Paul, June 16-20, from 9:00 am—12:00 pm

For ages 4 to rising 5th graders

St. Paul: Register using Flocknote:

<https://stgasparfamilydayton.flocknote.com/signup/209460>

You can also pick up copies at the church entrances, or the parish office. Make checks payable to St. Paul.

An electronic payment option will be offered soon.

1 child (\$20)
2 children (\$40)
3+ children (\$50)





St. Vincent de Paul 1st Quarter Newsletter

The St. Rita, St. Paul and Precious Blood Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. We serve our neighbors in the Northwest Dayton Region.

“Do to others, as you would have them do to you”

Do you want to help us help others?

***Use your monthly SVDP envelope**

***Join our conference**

**Contact Becky Chestnut
937-307-7721**

***Donate items for our**

Food Pantry:

Bar Soap/Body Wash

Cleaning Supplies

Deodorant

Laundry Pods

Mouthwash

Shampoo & Conditioner

Shaving Cream

Shaving Razors

Toilet Paper

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

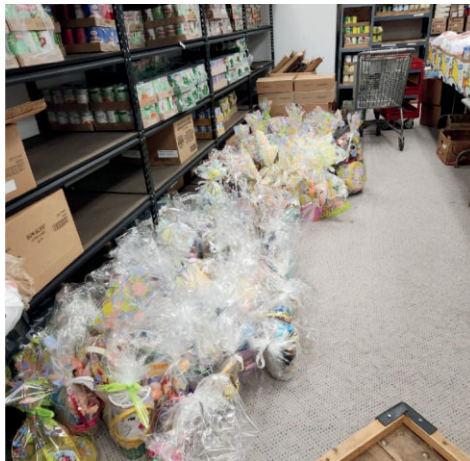
None of what we do would be possible without the generosity of the parishioners of St. Rita, St. Paul and Precious Blood parishes. Thank you so much.

May God bless you richly!

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Our SVDP Conference members donated Soups and Breads for the March 11 Soup Supper, held before Stations of the Cross at St. Paul Church. This service project allowed our members to engage in Lenten activities of prayer and fasting.

EASTER BASKETS FOR PANTRY CLIENTS



During Lent the Children's Faith Formation classes had a service project to collect items for Easter Baskets. They collected candy and other items for the baskets. Over 70 Easter Baskets were given to our SVDP Northwest Food Pantry. Clients with children and grandchildren in their homes were given Easter Baskets during the distribution before Easter Sunday. Any remaining baskets were given to Catholic Social Services. Thank you for making Easter more special for other children this year!

SIMPLY GIVE UPDATE

The results of the Winter Simply Give Campaign are in, which include contributions made by Meijer customers, their vendor partners, and their corporate donations. In total our pantry will receive \$8,510 in Meijer food-only gift cards. These cards are used weekly to purchase dairy, such as milk, butter and eggs, for our clients. We thank everyone, who participated, for their commitment to enriching the lives of our pantry clients.

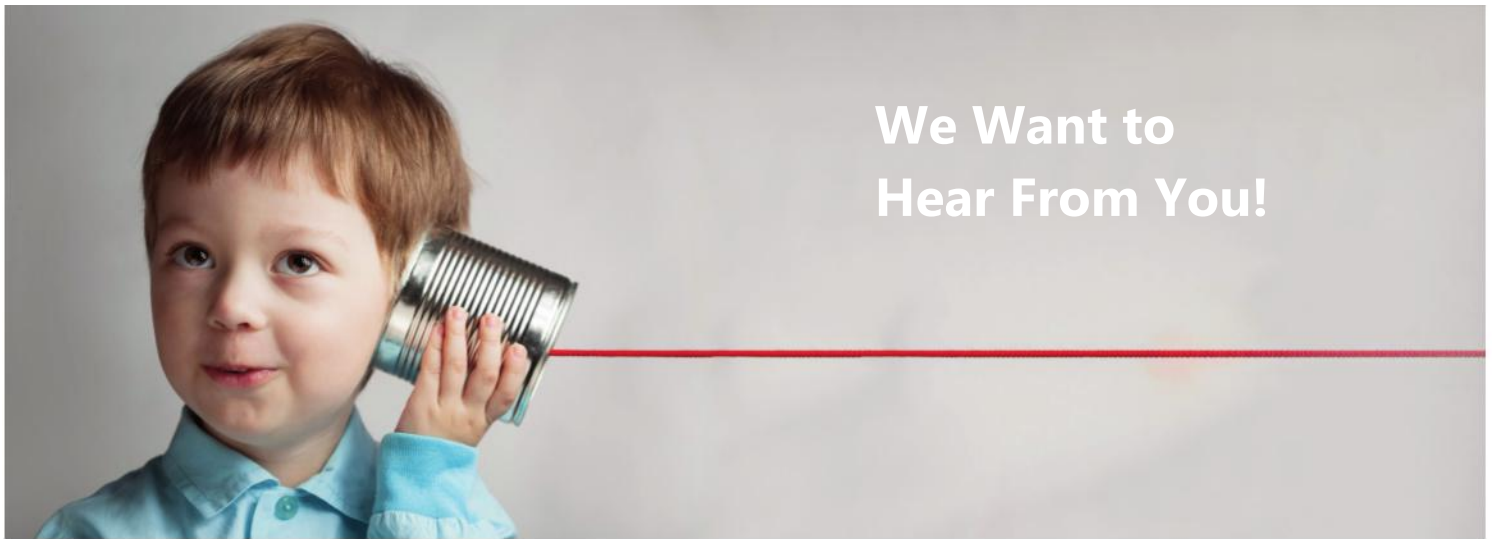
BY THE NUMBERS:

During the first quarter of 2025, we assisted our neighbors in need with:

- Over \$6,926.90 in rental assistance given to keep 12 families in their homes;
- More than \$13,548.43 in assistance given in order to keep 78 families' utilities and water on
- Over \$1,403.00 worth of furniture given to 12 families in order to improve our neighbors' quality of life

We also gave food to people from 276 households, feeding 255 seniors, 292 adults and 270 children through our food pantry.





We Want to Hear From You!

New! Parish Feedback Cards

We're introducing Feedback Cards to make it easier for you to share your thoughts, questions, and ideas.

One of the key goals of our Pastoral Priority Plan for Communication is to create a feedback loop — a two-way conversation between parish leadership and you, the members of our St. Gaspar Family of Parishes. Communication is more than announcements and updates — it's about listening, too.

How it works:

- Pick up a Feedback Card at any of our parishes
- Fill it out with your comments or suggestions
- Return it in the designated drop-off area or hand it to an usher, or drop it in the offertory basket.

Our **deacons** will collect the cards and ensure your feedback reaches the **appropriate staff members** or **pastor**.

You can also scan the QR code to submit your feedback.



Easter Feedback Survey

We also invite you to complete our **Easter Survey** — a brief form to help us reflect on this season and improve together.

Why it matters:

We want to know:

- What we did **right**
- What we could do **better**
- How we can **improve communication** with you

Please take a moment to scan the QR code and share your thoughts. Your voice shapes our mission.

Thank you for helping us grow in openness, connection, and shared faith. Together, we are building a stronger, more responsive parish family.

Let's keep the conversation going!

The Communications Team,
Deacon Mike Prier
Joan Macpherson
Greg and Jen Smith
Tim Burneka



Our Stewardship

Emmanuel, March May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$14,072

SVDP Tithe \$1,407

Holy Trinity, May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,370

Precious Blood, May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$4,805

St. Vincent De Paul \$864

Saint Paul, May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$4,523

St. Vincent de Paul..... \$125

Saint Joseph, May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$6,869

Charity \$217

Pipe Organ to Date \$187,016

Saint Rita, May 4, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,922

St. Vincent De Paul \$120

Build Our Community!



First Sunday Brunch

Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus

Sunday, June 1

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

\$19.00

**Please join us at Bainbridge Hall with
your friends and parishioners for
fellowship and a fabulous brunch menu
prepared by Key Ingredient Catering.**



Holy Trinity

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



**Precious Blood,
St. Paul and St. Rita**

[northwestdaytoncatholic.or
g/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)



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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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 5/12/25

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Karen Thomas

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Names that are new to the prayer list are in bold. Names remain on the prayer list form four weeks unless we are notified otherwise. To add a name to the prayer list, contact Nancy Burton at 937-276-5954, or nburton@preciousbloodchurch.org.

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