

June 1, 2025, Ascension of the Lord



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

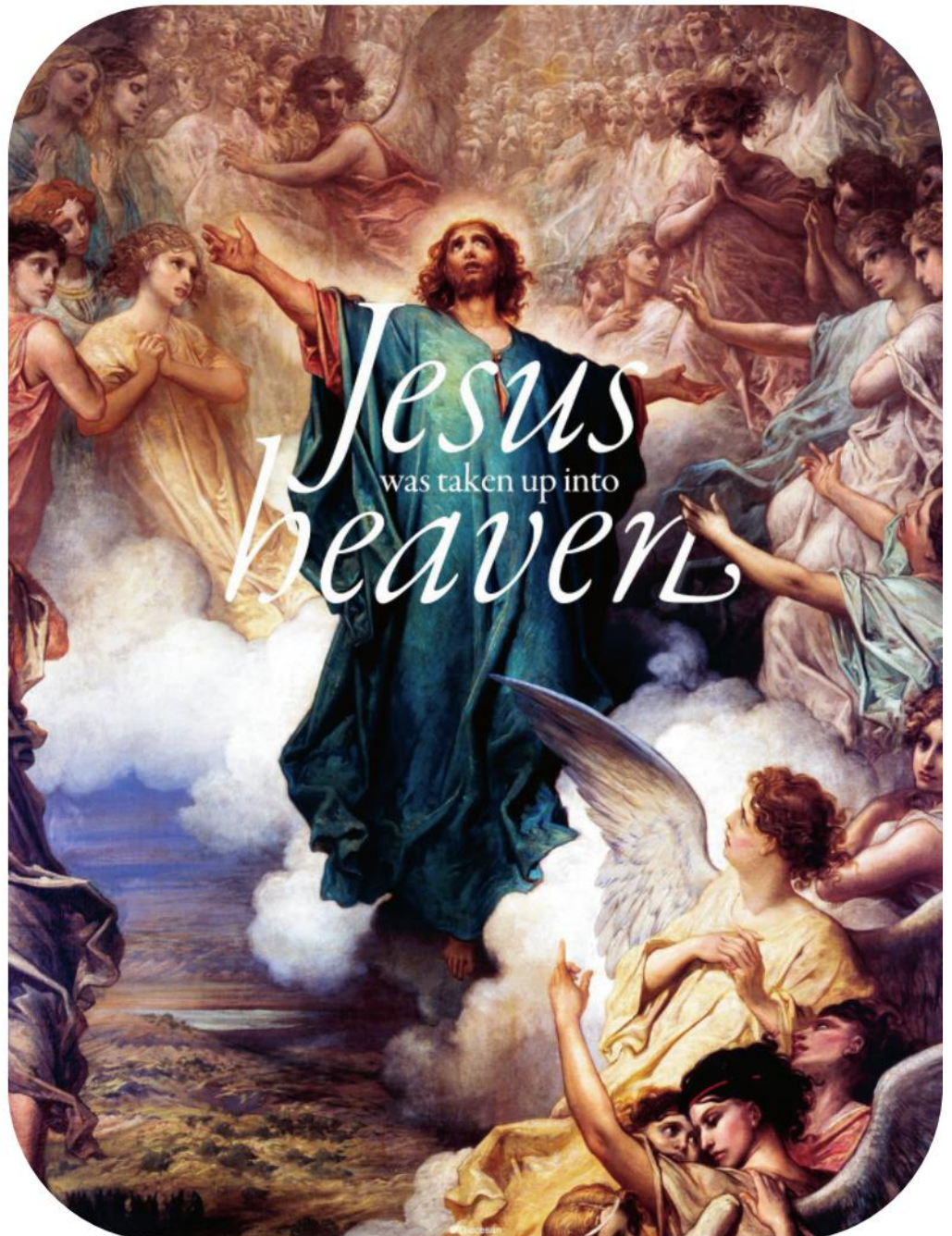
411 East Second Street
Dayton, OH 45402
937.228.9272

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.

Staff Reflection

The Ascension of the Lord and the Church's Call to Renewal

As I reflect on the Feast of the Ascension, I can't help but think about how it speaks to the changes many of us are experiencing in our parishes right now—especially with initiatives like Beacons of Light and the Next Generation Parish model. With over 20 years working in church operations, I've seen a lot of transition, but something about this moment feels deeper, more like a shift than just another change.

The Ascension of the Lord is one of those beautiful but challenging events in our faith. Jesus physically leaves His disciples, and you can almost feel their confusion—maybe even their fear. They're left staring at the sky, wondering what comes next. I've felt that way in parish life more than once. We want to cling to what we've known, especially if it's worked in the past.

But the message is clear:

Don't just stand there. There's work to do.

With *Beacons of Light*, parishes are being asked to come together, to share resources, and to reimagine how we serve our communities, not just to survive, but to become more vibrant and mission-driven. It's not always easy. There's grief involved when structures shift. But like the disciples, we're being asked to trust that the Holy Spirit will lead us forward.

The *Next Generation Parish* approach picks up that same theme. It's about helping our parishes become places where people don't just attend Mass, but grow as disciples. That means lay people (like many of us) are being called to step up, lead in new ways, and help shape what parish life looks like moving forward.

And here's the good news: Jesus promises to be with us. Even as He ascends, He's not stepping away—He's stepping ahead, leading us into something new.

I believe this is a time of letting go, waiting with hope, and stepping out with courage. The Ascension reminds us that faith is not about staying still or preserving what's familiar. It's about movement, mission, and trust.

Joan Macpherson
Communications Director

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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

Scan the QR code to see the
photos from last year's Corpus
Christi Procession
at Emmanuel.
Learn more about
this year's
procession on
Page 9.



Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, June 2, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's Intention
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Clarence & Mildred Leik
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Johnson Family

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's Intention
 8:30 am **St. Rita** †Bev Tamplin
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** *Fr. Gaynor's Anniversary of Ordination*

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** Liv/Dec of Hugo A. Behlau Family
 8:30 am **St. Paul** Celebrant's Intention
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Clark Family

Thursday, June 5, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Robert Vansuch
 8:30 am **St. Paul** †Merdella Schwieterman
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Fred Thompson

Friday, June 6, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** Liv/Dec of Joseph & Delphine McCrate Family
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** Celebrant's Intention
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** Liv/Dec of the Thompson Family

Saturday, June 7, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** All Unborn Children & their Families
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Joel Johnson
 4:30 pm **St. Joseph** For Our Parishioners
 4:30 pm **St. Paul** †George Bustamante
 5:00 pm **Emmanuel** †Winifred Ferguson

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Pentecost Sunday

8:30 am **Holy Trinity** Liv/Dec of the Cooper Family
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Ron Henne
 8:30 am **St. Rita** †Laura Keefe
 10:30 am **Emmanuel** For Our Parishioners
 10:30 am **St. Joseph** †Carmen Florio
 10:30 am **St. Paul** †Steven K Lichtenberger

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 June 1, 2025

Monday	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs Act 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11; 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday	Pentecost Sunday Vigil Mass: Gen 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Mass during the Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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, June 2, 2025

God's Garden Work Day

7:00-8:30 pm • St. Paul/Garden

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Marriage Works

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

Knights of Columbus Council 500

7:00-9:00 pm • Bainbridge Hall

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Lunch with the Lord (join at any time)

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

Thursday, June 5, 2025

God's Garden Work Day

9:00-10:30 am • St. Paul/Garden

OCIA

5:30-7:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rectory

Adoration and Benediction

6:00-7:30 pm • St. Paul/Church

Friday, June 6, 2025

Friday Hour

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

Saturday, June 7, 2025

No Parish Events

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Donut Sunday

After Mass • St. Paul

Precious Blood Companions

1:00-2:00 pm • Precious Blood

Coming Up Vacation Bible School

June 9-13

Emmanuel

June 16-20

St. Paul

Trinity Sunday

Sunday, June 15

See page 8 for more information

Corpus Christi Procession

Saturday, June 21

See page 9 for more information

Trivia Night

Saturday, June 21

Family of Parishes Picnic

Sunday, August 10

Family News



Happy Anniversary

Fr. Jim Gaynor celebrates his ordination anniversary this Tuesday, June 3!

Please be sure to wish him well this weekend. Fr. Gaynor will continue his book read that began during Lent. He will continue to lead us through Dilexit Nos — Pope Pius XII's profound reflection on the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus Christ. You can join him on Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm, at St. Paul.

Easter Feedback Survey

There is still time 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?

The survey will remain open until the end of June, and you can access it easily using the QR code provided. Thank you for helping us grow!



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

Unity Events this Month

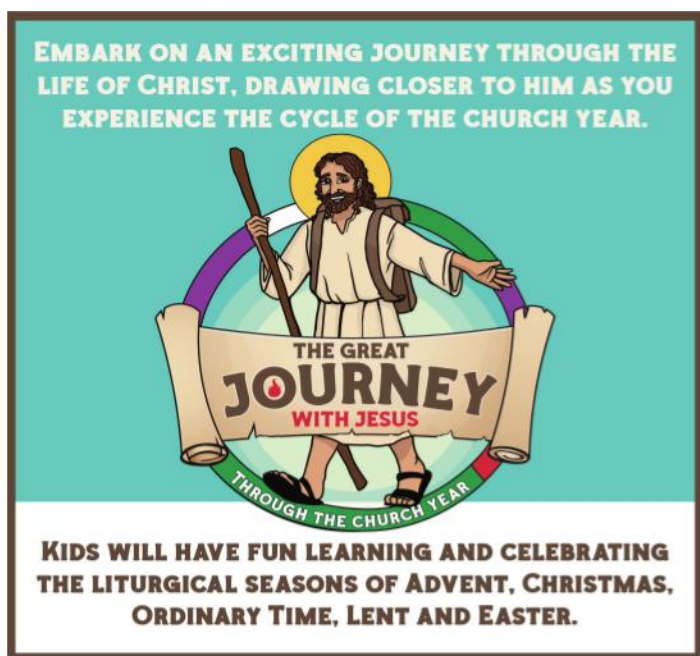
@Holy Trinity and Emmanuel

St. Gaspar Family of Parishes is highlighting two special events this June as an opportunity for unity in our Family of Parishes. The first is Trinity Sunday on June 15, at Holy Trinity, the second is the Corpus Christi Mass and Procession at Emmanuel. Trinity Sunday begins with 8:30 am Mass on June 15. If you are not able to attend 8:30 am Mass at Holy Trinity, we hope you will make your way downtown for the pancake breakfast under the big white tent in the parking lot. There will be raffles, games and music, fun for the whole family. The same holds true for the Corpus Christi Mass and Procession. The procession follows 5:00 pm Mass. Street decorating takes place in the morning. More information can be found on the following pages.

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.





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. 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.

Program Cost

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

Locations

@ 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.

Link to Register and/or volunteer:

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



Register for
Emmanuel

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

For ages 4 to rising 5th graders

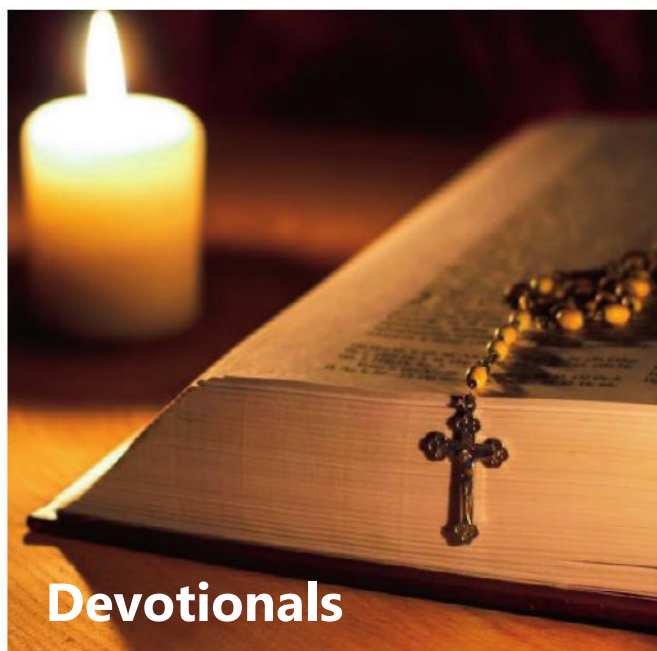
To register and pay visit:

<https://northwestdaytoncatholic.org/vacation-bible-school/>

You can also pick up copies at the church entrances, or the parish office.



Register for
St. Paul



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

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.

Summer Fun Challenge: P-R-A-Y Bingo!

Runs June 1 to September 1, 2025

Any P-R-A-Y bingo of 4 down, 4 across, 4 diagonally or 4 corners will get your name mentioned in the bulletin.

A coverall will earn you a prize!

For bulletin shout outs or coverall prizes, email

Matt mruttle@preciousbloodchurch.org or Michele michelestoltz34@gmail.com.



P	R	A	Y
Attend Pentecost Mass & INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT into your heart: <small>Inspire me with your Spirit and fill my heart with the fire of your love, that I may be drawn to you.</small>	Research and Reflect on the Saint of the Month	Attend Adoration at any of our six parishes	Volunteer at a church event
Attend the ALL PARISH PICNIC Aug 10 @St Paul	Pray the Rosary by yourself or with your family	Ask to join a servant ministry: usher, lector, server, greeter, choir member, Eucharistic Minister	Enroll in the St Gaspar Flocknote email notifications
Pray the before meal prayer in Public	Receive absolution through the Sacrament of Reconciliation	Attend Mass at any of the other 5 sister parishes	Develop a Yearning for the Lord by participating in a Bible study
Participate in the Presentation of Gifts (Offertory)	Read The book of Revelation for 7 consecutive days	Charitable Act through one or more of the 7 Corporal Works of Mercy	Subscribe to a Catholic Podcast or Publication

Encounter Week IV

Contemplation

"Behold ... to Be Held"

The Quiet Stillness of Contemplation

"Rising very early before dawn, Jesus left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed."

(St. Mark 1:35)

This week, our Encounter Team focuses on contemplation as a form of prayer - which is completely surrendering ourselves into a deep communion with our good and loving God. According to St. Teresa of Avila, contemplative prayer "is nothing else than a close sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us." Contemplation is a form of wordless prayer in which our mind and heart are focused on the awesome greatness and goodness of God in silent and loving adoration. We turn over our heart to deeply contemplate the overwhelming love of God revealed in His Son, Jesus Christ - in His Life, Death, and Resurrection. As the phrase quoted above succinctly states: we "behold the all-encompassing love, mercy, and tenderness of God in silent and quiet adoration ... to be gently held by this infinite and awesome Love." We are like a little child who cries out: "Rather, I have stilled my soul, like a weaned child in its mother's lap, so weaned is my soul" (Psalm 131:2).

Contemplation requires our willingness to abandon ourselves in stillness, quiet, and silence. In our busy and noisy lives this abandonment is a "wilderness" that our loving God constantly invites us to enter into and breathe freely within.

"One form of contemplation is the Centering Prayer, in which you make use of a "sacred word" such as Jesus, Love, Peace - or a sacred icon or image - in a unique way, as a focus point to attain inner silence and stillness.

At the point that we find our attention slipping to other thoughts or distractions, we simply return to our sacred word or icon, with no judgement. As we grow in our ability to quiet ourselves, we then 'center' ourselves and quietly rest in God's sacred Presence" (Susannah Kelly, with the Jesuit Spiritual Center of Milford, Ohio).

There are other forms of contemplation including Eucharistic Adoration and night-time vigils. Please see our "nudges" and options offered here.

We invite you to cry out to the Holy Spirit again, to move your heart and soul into this "inner sanctuary" of God's loving and sacred Presence. Come, O Holy Spirit, come! Renew the hearts of your faithful ones!

Contemplation

A form of wordless prayer in which mind and heart focus on God's greatness and goodness in affective, loving adoration; to look on Jesus and the mysteries of his life with faith and love

Resources at your fingertips:

- In the App Catholify you can participate in a live stream of 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration.
- The Hallow App - find offerings that guide you in:
Surrender Prayer
Daily Examen



Scan the QR Code to Craft a Monstrance



Ascension
Presents with
Fr. Mike Schmitz
"What is
Contemplative
Prayer?"

St. Paul will have Benediction and Adoration on Thursday, June 5 from 6:00-7:30 pm. In addition, there will be Adoration after Mass on Trinity Sunday, June 15, before the Pancake Breakfast at Holy Trinity.

Trinity Sunday

Holy Trinity | June 15, 2025

8:30 am Mass

Followed by Adoration and a
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

As the namesake parish of the Holy Trinity, this celebration holds special significance for us. The St. Gaspar Family of Parishes invites you to join us for Trinity Sunday Mass, followed by Adoration and a family-friendly Pancake & Sausage Breakfast as we honor the mystery of the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and the unity it calls us to live. Celebrate with faith, fellowship, and fun!

8:30 am Mass, followed by Adoration and a pancake and sausage breakfast under the tent on the north lot!

Be sure to bring the kids so they can enjoy the games planned for them.

There will be music for listening, dancing if you desire, Bingo and time for conversation.

Come, visit with old friends and make some new ones!

Bring your family, friends and relatives!

All are Welcome!!

THE 50/50 RAFFLE DRAWING WILL BE AT 1:00 P.M. BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR NAME IN THE HOPPER

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!



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Corpus Christi Mass and Procession

Emmanuel's Corpus Christi Mass and Procession is Saturday, June 21 with Mass at 5:00 pm, followed by the outdoor Eucharistic procession. A potluck dinner will follow the procession – everyone is invited!

According to CatholicCulture.org, the tradition of the Corpus Christi procession began in the 14th century, when townspeople would honor the Blessed Sacrament with a splendid procession after Mass. By the later Middle Ages, these events became beautiful public pageants of faith and devotion. At Emmanuel, we've proudly carried on this tradition for over 20 years. Every year, our parish decorates the streets in honor of Our Lord in the Eucharist, using dyed wood chips to create stunning artwork.

This tradition is especially joyful for the children who help design and dye the chips.

How You Can Participate

Children's Roles

First Communicants: All children who made their First Communion this year are invited to process in their First Communion attire.

Flower Girls: All girls ages 5–12 are invited to be flower girls in the procession.

Attendants: Young ladies ages 13+ are invited to assist as attendants, helping the flower girls.

Men's Roles

We need men to help carry the banners and the canopy during the procession.

Street Decorating Saturday morning

Saturday, June 21 | 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Help us prepare the procession path!

Come when you can—no need to stay the entire time. Wear old clothes, and bring your creativity!

Mandatory Practice for Participants

Friday, June 20 at 7:00 PM

All who plan to take part in the procession must attend this practice. To Participate or Ask Questions, Please contact Nicole Bartz: cb@bartzfamly.net

St. Gaspar

Respect Life Group

False Claim: Women will Die if Abortion is made Illegal

A 23-page guide from the National Right to Life Committee, *When They Say. . . You Say*, lays out detailed refutations to five categories of pro-abortion arguments. The fourth category of arguments for abortion rely upon the false claim that illegal abortions result in thousands of maternal deaths. The best refutation of this comes from abortionists themselves. As early as 1960, Dr. Mary S. Calderone, a former Planned Parenthood director, wrote that "[a]bortion is no longer a dangerous procedure. This applies not just to therapeutic abortions as performed in hospitals but also the so-called illegal abortions as done by physicians." Dr. Bernard Nathanson, former director of the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws wrote in 1979 that he knew their claims of 5,000 to 10,000 maternal deaths a year due to abortion "were totally false". Per the Centers for Disease Control, in 1972, the year before *Roe vs. Wade* was decided, there were 39 maternal deaths from abortion. According to the World Health Organization, in 2017 Ireland had one of the lowest maternal death rates in the world, despite abortion being illegal at that time, whereas in the U.S., with legal abortion, the maternal death rate was four times that of Ireland. For a fuller treatment of this topic, see *When They Say. . . You Say*, p.15, available in Emmanuel pro-life pamphlet rack or online at: nrlc.org/uploads/WhenTheySayPacket.pdf.

Notes from Emmanuel's Choir Loft

From Music Director, Michele Carner

The 16th-century English composer Thomas Tallis, whose name appeared in this space recently, once again gives us music for today, this time as the tune for "O Holy Spirit, Come to Us." The ancient text, *Veni Creator Spiritus* (from the 9th century), was translated for today's hymn by Melvin Farrell (1930-1986), a priest of the Society of St. Sulpice. While still a seminarian, he worked with a fellow student on preparing a hymnal which was published as *The People's Hymnal*. After long years devoted to preparing seminarians for the priesthood in the turbulent years of the mid-20th century, Fr. Farrell succumbed to cancer, writing, "Our faith in God's providence assures us that he is with us. Even the hairs on our heads are numbered."





**Come Join Us for a Fund/Friend Raising Event
at Fifth Street BrewPub, Thursday June 5th
from 6–10 pm at 1600 E Fifth St, Dayton 45403!**

As part of the Fifth Street BrewPub's Gives Back Program,
10% of all food/drink sales and all proceeds from raffles
sold that evening will be donated to the
Emmanuel St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

Your support truly makes a difference to help our
neighbors in need with various services including a choice
food pantry, rent, utilities, furniture, appliances, clothing
and transportation.

For further information about this event or to inquire about becoming
a volunteer with St. Vincent de Paul, please contact:
Jim Gilbert at 937-479-5695.

Cheers! Bring your friends to raise a glass! See you there!



Encyclical Book Read

Resumes June 3

@St. Paul, Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm

Fr. Gaynor will continue to lead us through *Dilexit Nos* —
Pope Pius XII's profound reflection on the human and
divine love of the Heart of Jesus Christ.

First Friday Mass for Healing with Anointing June 6

@Emmanuel, Friday, June 6, 7:00 pm

Join celebrant and host, Fr. Vincent Chembakassery for
our First Friday Mass for healing with anointing. If you are
sick, or have been exposed to the Flu, corona virus, etc.,
please be sure to bring & wear a mask.

Senior Program and Lunch Wednesday, June 11

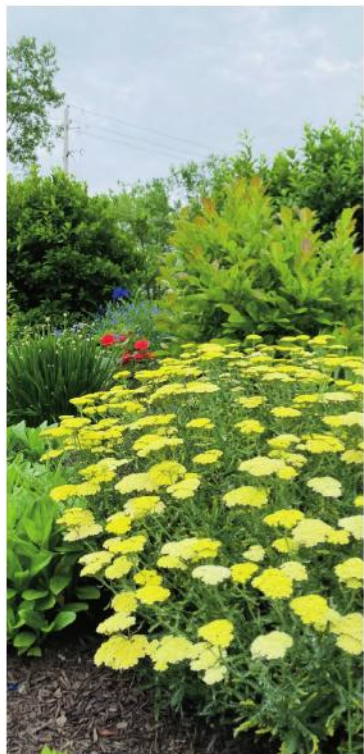
@St. Paul: Noon, 2:00 pm

"Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia- The 10
Warning Signs" presented by the Alzheimer's Association,
Miami Valley Chapter. Please make reservations by
Monday, June 9 by calling 937-836-7535.

Father's Day Prayer Board

@Holy Trinity

There are two baskets on the table at the main entrance
to the church. Please take a paper hat or tie from the
basket and put the name of a father you wish to be
remembered in prayer on Father's Day.
Place the signed tie or hat in the empty basket.



Flower Beds at Precious Blood

I hope that everyone is enjoying
our flower beds here at Precious
Blood as much as I am, I must
thank John & Rita Hess for
helping mulch. Also, Rita for
taking care of the plants on the
altar, while we were on vacation.
I need to also thank Jean
Birkhead for helping out & taking
charge of the 4 stone planters (2
by the front entrance & 2 by the
right side entrance). Most of all,
I need to thank my husband, Ron
Sloan, for being my most
important worker & letting me
visualize my dreams for these
beds. I couldn't do it without
him!!!
LOVE YOU, RON!!!

Come Brunch with Us!

Sunday, June 8

@St. Joseph, after the 10:30 am Mass

Come Brunch with Us! will be held Sunday, June 8, in the
Parish Life Center after the 10:30 am Mass. Please
consider bringing a dish to share!
Items can be dropped off before Mass, starting at
10:00am.



MARRIAGE UNCORKED

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

JUNE 12TH	JULY 17TH	AUGUST 16TH
6:30PM-9PM	6PM-8PM	6:30PM-9PM
<p>Swing Dancing at Riverscape Downtown Dayton</p> <p>Join us at RiverScape to enjoy music by The Bob Gray Orchestra! Bring a lawn chair and your dancing shoes. Gem City Swing will give a free lesson at intermission, but dancing the night away is encouraged! The RiverScape cafe will be open and has refreshments available for purchase.</p>	<p>Kayaking at RiverScape Downtown Dayton</p> <p>Join us for a romantic adventure as we kayak with Taiter's Kayak Solutions at Riverscape! Float on the river with your spouse or fiancé and enjoy the summer evening. Rental is \$15/hour per person. Staff will provide a safety tutorial and a waiver must be signed by all before participating.</p>	<p>Caesar Creek Vineyard Winery Night</p> <p>We invite you for an evening of friendship and good conversation as we enjoy delicious wines from Caesar Creek Vineyard in Xenia. We'll be joining the marriage ministry at St. Brigid for this event! Please bring a snack to share and a lawn chair just in case. 962 Long Rd. Xenia, Ohio 45385</p>
<p>PLEASE RSVP TO RACHEL BOND @ MARRIAGEUNCORKED@GMAIL.COM</p> <p>THERE IS NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR THESE EVENTS</p>		

Our Stewardship

Emmanuel, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$5,792

SVDP Tithe \$579

Holy Trinity, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,921

Precious Blood, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$4,230

St. Vincent De Paul \$525

Saint Paul, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,485

St. Vincent de Paul..... \$25

Saint Joseph, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$10,095

Charity \$185

Pipe Organ to Date \$187,555

Saint Rita, May 18, 2025

Sunday Collection \$3,260

St. Vincent De Paul \$241



Holy Trinity

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



Precious Blood,

St. Paul and St. Rita

[northwestdaytoncatholic.org/
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)

Knights Brunch Today!



9AM-1PM
267 BRAINBRIDGE ST, DAYTON

SOUP & SANDWICH

Dressed Green Salad /Chicken Salad Sandwich on Croissant

EGGS ARRABIATA (DIABLO) WITH GRIDDLED BAGUETTE

Baked Eggs in Fresh Made Spicy Tomato, Garlic & Peperoncino Sauce

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES WITH BACON JAM & GOAT CHEESE

PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN PANCAKES & BUTTERMILK PANCAKES

HANDMADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS & GRAVY

Sausage Gravy or Herbed Country Gravy (Vegetarian)

HAND CRACKED SCRAMBLED EGGS

THE MEATS

Thick Cut Bacon, Sausage Links, Chicken Sausage, & Country Ham

BRUNCH POTATOES

YOGURT PARFAIT

Yogurt Parfait with Honey Vanilla Greek Yogurt, Fresh Berry Compote & Cashew Granola

FRESH CUT FRUIT DISPLAY

SWEETS & PASTRIES

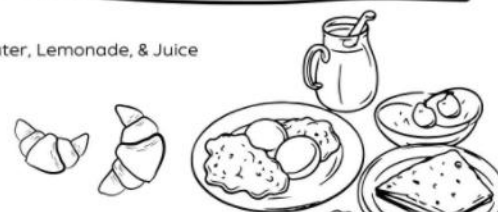
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Monday, June 9

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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

<https://www.facebook.com/DaytonCatholic>

Hearing Aid Receivers available at St. Joseph. Are you having difficulty hearing the Mass? If so, we have hearing aid receivers available for your use. Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it just return it to an usher.

Staff Directory

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Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin Date: June 15, 2025

Articles Due: June 5, 2025

Ministry leaders should send information to the Communications Director, 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

Could you benefit from the confidential, one-to-one care and support of a Stephen Minister? Do you know someone who could benefit from Stephen Ministry? Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister?

Contact Diane Huelsman to learn more: 937-416-8870 or call your parish office.

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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 5/27/25

Barb Aivalotis
Andy Belt
Bill
Christopher Boeckman
Ann Box
Theresa Bradley
Vicki Braun
Bill & Jayme Budde
Alma Davis
Larry (John) & Mary Ann Davis & Family
Marty DeMange
Erik Fiely
Fran Franchina
Kay Gallihar
Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Jeffrey Glackin

Michael Glackin
Wanda Gawronska & Frassati Family
Beatrice Icyimpaye
John & Joan Jankowski
Colette Ann Kropp
Phil Lange
Barb Lawrence
Marla, Ron, & Family
Diane Meier
Jerry Miller
Deacon Jim Olinger, Kathy & Family
Susan Orlando
Persons Homeless & Alone
Malena Phillips
Mary B.
Lily Rainey
Sarah
Archbishop Dennis Schnurr
Debbie Shively

Steve
Karen Thomas

Names that are new to the prayer list are in bold. Names remain on the prayer list for 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.

Please keep in your prayers parish family members who have lost a loved one recently. If you would like for us to list the name of your deceased loved one in the bulletin, please contact the bulletin editor, Joan Macpherson at 937-276-5954.

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