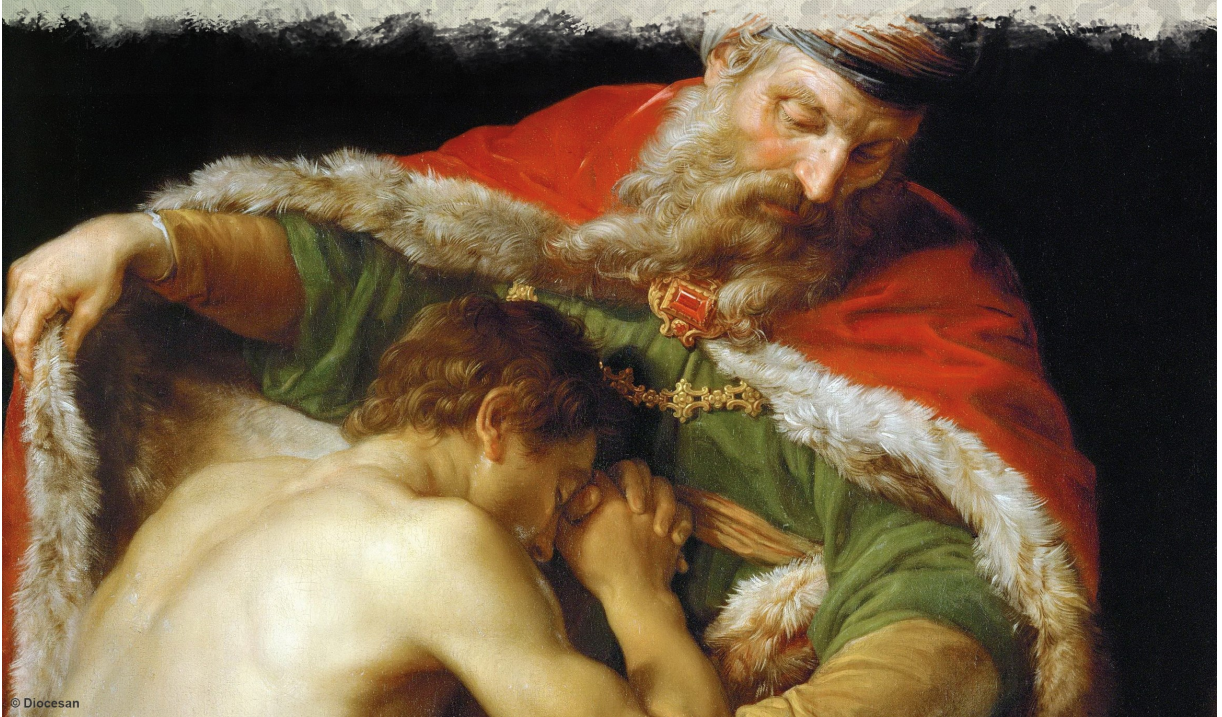


Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

But now we must celebrate and rejoice,
because your brother was dead
and has come to life again;
he was lost and has been found.

Luke 15:32



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But Moses implored the Lord, his God, saying,
“Why, O Lord, should your wrath blaze up against
your own people?”

*Wrath?
Blazing up?
They did not get wrath,
even though they adored
the molten calf.*

*O God,
we worship many alluring things,
and we are surely
stiff-necked.*

*Thank you for your golden covenant,
loving us in spite of ourselves,
with an everlasting
love.*

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WELCOME, MOLLY AND JOSIE, TO THE SERVERS MINISTRY

The two sisters served for the first time last Sunday and did a wonderful job! Thank you to mom and dad for encouraging them and supporting them in this special way! Mom and Dad are wearing blue, and with the girls dressed in their white albs, we have the official St. Helen colors!!!!



READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 18

Amos 8:4-7
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13

With heartfelt thanks for your STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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TIME TO EAT THE DONUTS!

Join us in the Smith
Building after Mass today
for donuts and coffee
and fellowship!



AND learn more about
our St. Vincent de Paul Ministry.

Jesus,
when you
ate with sinners
tongues wagged, and
you told about the prodigal son.
Is that what you are—prodigal son,
wasting your life on us,
hungry sinners?

Or
are
you the
prodigal father
lavishing kindness
on our laggardly selves,
even if we are a long way off;
running to meet us with hugs, kisses,
and fixing of the finest calf, for a feast for us?

Prodigal Son, Prodigal Father and Prodigal Holy Spirit,
we feel awe and wonder at the love that you
squander on us.

Thank you.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 am Rita Scott (Family)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:00 am Stephen VanDegrift Anniv (Mary Ellen VanDegrift)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 am Carm & Ray Duckro (Shirley Deger)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 am Ryan Cofer (Karen Connair)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9:00 am William Blanford (Connie McIntyre)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00 am Eleanor Firment (Shirley Deger)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

4:30 pm Jack Hedges (Sarah Hedges)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 am Kathy Otoski (Jim & Phyllis Whitney)

Weekday and Saturday Intentions are remembered at the Masses at Immaculate Conception

PRODIGAL

also means “having or giving something on a lavish scale.” Our God is a prodigal God of love.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 am — Fr. Jim Fitz

10:00 am — Donut Sunday — SB

MONDAY-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12-16

9:00 am-Daily Mass at Immaculate

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 —Fr. Tony

10:00 am—Quilters in Quilting Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13—Fr. Kip Stander

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 —Fr. Len

10:00 am—Quilters in Quilting Room

10:00 am—Lectio Divina via Zoom

1:30 pm—Centering Prayer CH

6:00 pm-Sacrament of Reconciliation-Fr.

Tony Geraci

7:00 pm—Choir practice

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15—Fr. Len

6:00 pm—Reconciliation at IC—Fr. Satish

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 —Fr. Len

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

4:30 pm—Family of Parishes Mass at Immaculate Conception—Fr. Satish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 am Mass—Fr. Len ([Live Stream](#))

10:15 am—RE begins

1:00 pm—Baptism Preparation Class—HR

Priest's schedules are tentative and subject to change.

September 17 & 18	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Lector	Live Streaming
Saturday, 4:30 PM at IC	Sue Gabringer Mary Heider Carolyn Howick Tom Mahle	Caroline Tucker	Deborah Danner (1) Pat Schneider (2)	
Sunday, 9:00 AM at SH	Bryon Betsinger Margie Keenan Brian Lezanic Michael Pratt Michelle Pratt Grace Randall Abigail Randall	Julia Berwanger Autumn Berwanger Harper Robbins	William Flaute (1)	Jay Rutledge

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER FOR 9/11

Holy God,
Creator of all people and all nations,
It is with sorrow and apprehension we remember the tragic events
That occurred on this day.

We lift to You in prayer all those who died
In the Twin Towers, at the Pentagon, and on United Airlines Flight 93
In Shankesville, Pennsylvania.

We entrust them to Your loving care.
Console their families, friends, and all who mourn this loss
In the hope that all who trust in You find peace and rest in Your Kingdom.

We pray for those who courageously responded to provide aid and comfort to the afflicted.
May their painful memories of that day
Be healed and transformed into strength and positive resolution.

We also pray for ourselves as we seek Your strength and guidance.
We live in the aftermath of this tragedy and under the shadow of future acts of aggression;
We stand in need of Your assistance.

Enable us, Dear God, to put an end to fear:
By resolving to live lives that are based on respect for one another;
By resolving to abide in a peaceful manner
and never settle disagreements in our lives in a violent way;
By resolving not to fall into the trap of blaming entire ethnic groups, races, or religions
in response to acts of hostility;
By resolving that justice, not revenge, prevail in our world.

Let us resolve that in the face of hatred, we will show love;
That in times of despair, we will be voices of hope
And creators of new dreams;
That in times of darkness, we will be sources of light.

Let us resolve that we never regard forgiveness as weakness,
But rather as a source of strength in our lives and in our world.

And, let us honor the memory of nearly 3,000 individuals who died on September 11, 2001
By resolving, with Your help Almighty God,
To truly live this way so You may be glorified and Your love made known to others through us. Amen.

MT. ST. JOHN GALLERY GRAND OPENING

Join us for our Grand Re-Opening after being closed since 2020: A Group Exhibit by Professed Marianists Artists : photography, pottery, sculpture, water color, drawing. paintings and quilts are some of the artists' renderings. **Hours:** Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays 12p.m.-3p.m. Call 937-320-5405 for private tours.

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PRO-LIFE JOB OPENINGS

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2. Consultant to work with women clients facing crisis pregnancies
3. Marriage Enrichment Sales Assistant
4. Grant Manager who identifies funding sources and prepares all grant applications

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Dayton Right to Life & the Stork's Nest Baby Pantry have two available job openings.

The **Events & Volunteer Coordinator** will need a marketing-driven mindset and will be responsible for recruiting and managing volunteers, vendors, and donors and will assist in event planning. The **Baby Pantry Coordinator** must have inventory management skills and will be responsible for scheduling appointments, managing stock, and assisting clients. Both positions require phone etiquette, proficiency in Microsoft Excel, Outlook, & Word, and a giving heart.

To schedule an interview, please send your resume to kfarmer@daytonlife.org.

PLAY EUCHRE AT OUR NEW LIBRARY!!!

Join us at your new Burkhardt Branch Library for a weekly game or two of Euchre every Monday the library is open from 1pm-3pm. Cards are provided. No reservations needed! **The fun begins on Monday, September 19.**



Do you need healing from going through separation or divorce's emotional challenges? You are welcome to attend our Fall 13-week support group Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm from **Sep. 8 to Dec. 15**; St. Francis of Assisi Church 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. For more information, contact Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 (Not a texting number) or mtoma@woh.rr.com

NAIM SEPTEMBER EVENT

The September Naim meeting is a "Turnabout". The men will host the women at a 6 PM dinner, followed by the regular meeting and cards. St. Henry PAC at 6660 N. Springboro Pike is the site. For more information about this social and religious organization for widowed Catholics, contact Agnes Laux @ 937-256-2086.

JOB OPPORTUNITY:

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