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Advent

~ a time for preparation ~



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John cried out in
the desert,
prepare!

Prepare! Reshape your life!
Change your mind, change your heart!

The one is coming who is the very
Spirit of God!
Christ, we want to have all these.

Talk to our hearts.

Set us on fire
with flames

that are
your
Spirit.

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READINGS FOR DECEMBER 18

Isaiah 7:10-14
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

With heartfelt thanks for your
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
December 3 and 4
\$6,248.67

CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUPPORTERS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN OHIO TAX CREDIT!?

The State of Ohio has passed a bill that allows a tax credit for qualified donations to a certified Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). Ohio taxpayers who donate to SGOs may be able to claim a dollar-for-dollar, non-refundable tax credit on their state income tax return for up to \$750 per donor (up to \$1,500 if married and filing jointly). See section 5747.73 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The Catholic Education Foundation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (CEF) has been certified by Ohio as a scholarship-granting organization (SGO). Donations to the CEF-SGO can be designated to benefit a specific school(s).

Learn more at www.CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO Please consult your tax advisor to see if this is right for you.

See flyer in this week's bulletin for more info!



THANK YOU FROM THE ST. HELEN PTO CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We would like to thank everyone that supported the St Helen PTO Christmas Bazaar this year. Whether you were a vendor, came to shop and eat lunch, donated baked goods and raffle baskets or volunteered we could not have done it without you. We really appreciate everyone's help in making it a success.

We would like to give a special thank you to Troop 329. Your partnership and help making cabbage rolls and support in the kitchen during the bazaar is greatly appreciated.

Be sure to save the date for next year, we look forward to seeing you on Saturday, December 2, 2023!



ST. HELEN FISH FRY NEWS

The much anticipated St Helen Booster Club Fish Fry will be returning on **Saturday, January 28, 2023**. Pre sale tickets will be available in early January at the rectory or at the school office during regular hours.

ST. HELEN CATHOLIC CHURCH • RIVERSIDE, OHIO

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am Maureen Hunt (Hunt Family)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:00 am Andy Heil (Heil Family)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

9:00 am Rosemary Schneider

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:00 am William Blanford (Connie McIntyre)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

9:00 am Patricia Jankay (Diana Glassburn)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

9:00 am Ronald Schlater (Mary Ann Schlater)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

4:30 pm Al Torres (Torres Family)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

9:00 am Franklin Suranofsky (Deb and Jon Danner)

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am Mass—Fr. Tony w/Infant Jesus Shower during Mass ([Live Stream](#))

10:15 am—RE

MONDAY-FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12-16

9:00 am-Daily Mass at Immaculate

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 —Fr. Len

10:00 am—Quilters in Quilting Room

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13—Fr. Uriel

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 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—Reconciliation—Fr. Tony

6:00 pm—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—SJ1

7:00 pm—Choir practice

7:00 pm—St. Helen Parish Pastoral Council POB

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15—Fr. Len

9:00 am—Whole School Mass—Fr. Satish

1:00 om—Prayer Shawl Ministry—SJ

6:30 pm—Family of Parishes Advent Reconciliation Service *at St. Helen*

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16—Fr. Len

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

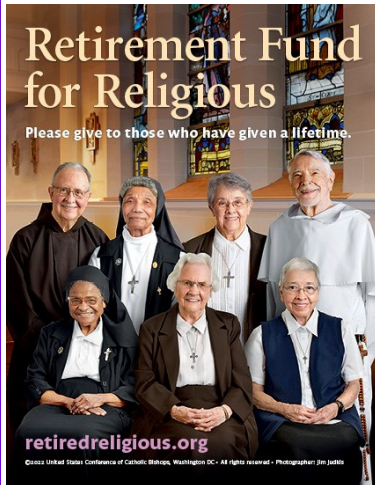
11:00 am—Franciscan Formation—SJ1

4:30pm—Fam of Par Mass IC —Fr. Satish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

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

Priest's schedules are tentative and subject to change.



**COLLECTION FOR
THESE DEAR
PEOPLE
TODAY.
PLEASE BE
GENEROUS!**

December 17 and 18	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Lector	Live Streaming
Saturday, 4:30 PM	Deborah Danner Linda Dillon Mary Heider Monica Whitty	Caroline Tucker	Pat Schneider (1) Nora Marino (2)	
Sunday, 9:00 AM	April Lezanic Michael Pratt Michelle Pratt Sarah Seward Walter Seward Kathy Snyder Billie Jean Szydlak	Autumn Berwanger Julia Berwanger Jules Ikuzo Jolee Isaro	William Flaute (1)	Jay Rutledge

St. Helen Christmas Flowers



At Christmas and Easter many parishioners like to make a contribution to our flower and environment fund as a means of remembering or honoring a loved one or special friend. If you wish to do so, gifts of any size are appreciated.

Contributions received by **Monday, January 9, 2023** will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Names will be alphabetical and dollar amounts will not be disclosed. You may also remain anonymous.

You can also make a contribution through *Faith Direct*, either through your account OR as a one-time gift! Call the Parish Office if you have questions!

Please accept my/our contribution to the Flower and Environment Fund.

Your Name(s): _____

Your name as you would like it to be acknowledged

If you wish to remain anonymous for the bulletin, please check here ____;
however, we must have a name in order to apply the contribution to your records.

Gift Amount: _____

Please make check payable to *St. Helen Church* and indicate Flower/Environment Fund in the Memo.

My gift is made: (circle one)

In memory of

In honor of

Name(s) of your loved one(s)

NE7 FAMILY OF PARISHES ADVENT EVENTS

ST. ANTHONY PARISH LITURGY OF THE HOURS, Tuesdays, at 7:00 p.m.

Please come and join us Tuesdays as we pray the Liturgy of the Hours. The prayers should last about 45 minutes. St. Anthony Church, 820 Bowen Street in Dayton.

Advent Reconciliation

Our Family of Parishes Advent Reconciliation service will be

Thursday, December 15, 2022

6:30 PM

St. Helen Parish

605 Granville Place Riverside, OH 45431

"As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us."
Psalm 103:12

*no Reconciliation at Immaculate Conception Church

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
CHANTED VESPERS ON
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16,
AT 6:00-6:30 P.M. AT ST.
MARY CHURCH.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Saturday, December 24

St. Anthony Church

4:30pm Mass

10:30pm Mass-Choir Preludes at 10:00pm

St. Helen Church

5:00pm Mass-Carols at 4:30pm

12 Midnight Mass-Carols at 11:30pm

Holy Angels Church

4:00pm Mass-Carols at 3:30pm

Immaculate Conception Church

4:30pm Mass-Carols at 4:00pm (live stream)

7:00pm Mass-Carols at 6:30pm (Spanish)

St. Mary Church

7:00pm Mass-Carols at 6:30pm

Christmas Day Sunday, December 25

Holy Angels Church

10:30am Mass

Immaculate Conception Church

10:00am Mass-Carols at 9:30am

St. Mary Church

12:15pm Mass-Carols at 11:00am (Spanish)



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In keeping with the mission of CEF and the regulations of an SGO, the CEF-SGO will provide scholarships (based on financial need) to students in grades K-12 in the Catholic schools of our Archdiocese.

Your donation can be designated to benefit a specific school(s).

Gifts that are not designated to a particular school will be available to families with the greatest need across our Archdiocese.

Consult with your tax advisor to determine:

(1) your eligibility for the state tax credit, (2) its value to you, and (3) the details of your gift.



PLEASE NOTE: According to a representative from the Ohio Department of Taxation, if you file a married joint return, each taxpayer would need to make their own \$750 contribution to claim the maximum of \$1,500. Separate acknowledgement letters will be provided for documentation of your gifts.

CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO

To make your gift online



Questions? Want to learn more?

CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO
Or email SGO@CatholicAOC.org.

Donate By Mail

Use the Form on Back and mail to:

Catholic Education Foundation – SGO
100 E. Eighth St.
Cincinnati, OH 45202





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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

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CONTRIBUTION

Please allocate my gift:

☐ To the Greatest Need \$ _____

☐ To the school(s) of my choice. The school's name and city are:

• _____ \$ _____

• _____ \$ _____

☐ Please do not share my name with the school(s) that I selected.

Total Gift \$ _____

GIFT INFORMATION

Your check can be made payable to **CEF-SGO** and mailed with this form to:

Catholic Education Foundation - SGO
100 East Eighth Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

QUESTIONS?

The Stewardship Department for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is providing donation processing services for the Catholic Education Foundation. If you have questions about your donation, please contact the Stewardship Department at Stewardship@CatholicAOC.org or (513) 263.3345.

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