

The EPIPHANY of the Lord

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Mt 2: 1-2



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THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JANUARY 8, 2023

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek *epiphainen*, a verb that means “to shine upon,” “to manifest,” or “to make known.” Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).

READINGS FOR JANUARY 15

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
1 Corinthians 1:1-3
John 1:29-34

With heartfelt thanks STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 24 and 25
\$10,460.60, including \$7,200 from FD
December 31 \$3,110.00
and January 1 \$3,375.67

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR INFANT JESUS SHOWER!

The Infant Jesus Program committee and members of the St Helen, St Vincent DePaul conference would like to thank parishioners who participated in this year’s Infant Jesus program. This year’s program allowed parishioners to purchase clothing/toys/other gifts and/or donate money for the purchase of WalMart gift cards. Through your generosity, 145 children in 66 families who reside in the local area were able to have a Christmas they would not have otherwise been able to. Additionally, each family was provided a \$75 WalMart grocery gift card for the purpose of purchasing food for their Christmas dinner. Again, many thanks for your support of this important ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Lewis at 937-238-0986 or email talewis@sbcglobal.net.

TODAY IS DONUT SUNDAY!

Come on over to the Smith Building after Mass for donuts, coffee, juice, and fellowship! A lovely way to ease into the new year!

POINSETTIAS AVAILABLE AFTER MASS

We close out our Christmas season **today** with the Solemnity of the Epiphany and will be taking down Christmas decorations during the week. All are welcome to take as many as you would like!

MASS FOR POPE BENEDICT

In just 48 hours, our family of parishes was able to prepare for a special Mass in memory of Pope Benedict XVI. Nearly 20 people from our family volunteered to sing in the choir, led by our Jodi Nix on the piano and Madelon Kinzig from St. Mary’s on the organ! Many thanks to all of you! It was beautiful!



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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00 am Patricia Jankay (Theresa Rice)

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00 am David Rike (Jane & Scott Clum)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

9:00 am William Blanford (Connie McIntyre)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 am Florence Farrell (Carolyn Henry)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 am Dale Bishop (Joan Torres)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

9:00 am

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

4:30 pm IC Gabriel Cantelupe (ICS Staff) and Frederick Spang

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

9:00 am Dan & Paul Gudorf (Joan Hanes)

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

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

10:00 am—Donut Sunday—SB

10:15 am—Religious Education

MONDAY-FRIDAY, JANUARY 9-13

9:00 am-Daily Mass at Immaculate

MONDAY, JANUARY 9 —Fr. Len

6:30 pm—Moms' Group—SJ1

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10—Fr. Uriel

6:30 pm—Finance Commission Mtg

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11—Fr. Uriel

6:00 pm—Sacrament of Reconciliation Fr. Tony

7:00 pm—Choir practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12—Fr. Len

9:00 am—Whole School Mass—Fr. Uriel

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13—Fr. Len

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

4:30 pm—Fam Parishes Mass at IC—Missionary

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

9:00 am Mass—Missionary (live streamed)

Priest's schedules are tentative & subject to change.

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

We are looking for a part-time Office Manager. This person will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the office. The ideal candidate will have experience working with a wide variety of people, good communication skills, a self-starter, can work independently, and takes initiative. Call the office if you have questions. If interested send your resume to ritazatstjoseph@sbcglobal.net.

HELP DESPERATELY NEEDED

FOR CHURCH CLEANING

Every other Friday

Please call the parish office if you can spare a few hours!

January 14 and 15	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Lector	Live Streaming
Saturday, 4:30 PM at IC	Lynn Howell Carolyn Howick Mary Jane Middleton-Leann Som	Caroline Tucker	Michael Bassett (1) Mary Heider (2)	
Sunday, 9:00 AM at SH	Pat Avey Ernesto Basto Maria Basto Santiago Basto Becky Cleaver Brian Lezanic Walter Seward	Giana Adducchio Max Adducchio Aurora Magtibay Harper Robbins	Sarah Seward (1)	Josh Rauch

DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE MASS

Archbishop Dennis Schnurr invites you to join him for a special study of The Mass video series from Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire Ministries. Each Sunday from January 8 through February 12, Archbishop Schnurr will email you one episode of the series along with his own brief insights, which you can watch on your own time and at your own pace, to explore the wonder of the Mass. Each episode of the series is only about 25 minutes. This is a great way to join fellow Catholics across the archdiocese to deepen your understanding of the Mass and experience it in a whole new way. Visit catholicaoc.org/theMass to sign up for free.

NATIONAL MEN'S CONFERENCE – SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023

The National Men's Conference (formerly known as the Cincinnati Men's Conference) will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at the Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University. Join us as we hear from inspiring presenters, including **keynote speaker Jonathan Roumie of "The Chosen,"** grow in fellowship, and build our relationship with Jesus Christ centered on the Eucharist. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr and Bishop Earl K. Fernandes. **Go to nationalmensconference.com for more info and to buy your tickets now!**

LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLAN INTRO SESSIONS

The Archdiocesan Care for Creation Task Force is eager to welcome people to learn about this powerful initiative from the Vatican to unite Catholics around the globe as we seek to love and care for all of God's creation. Our archdiocese has joined the Laudato Si' Action Plan (LSAP), and we're looking to engage individuals and families, Families of Parishes, schools, and all others in this work.

We've got four virtual introductory sessions coming up, and we'd love for you to join us (and bring a friend!) for an hour to learn about the LSAP and how you can get involved.

The virtual introductory sessions are as follows:
Tues. 1/17 at 10:00 a.m. <https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/89717405516>

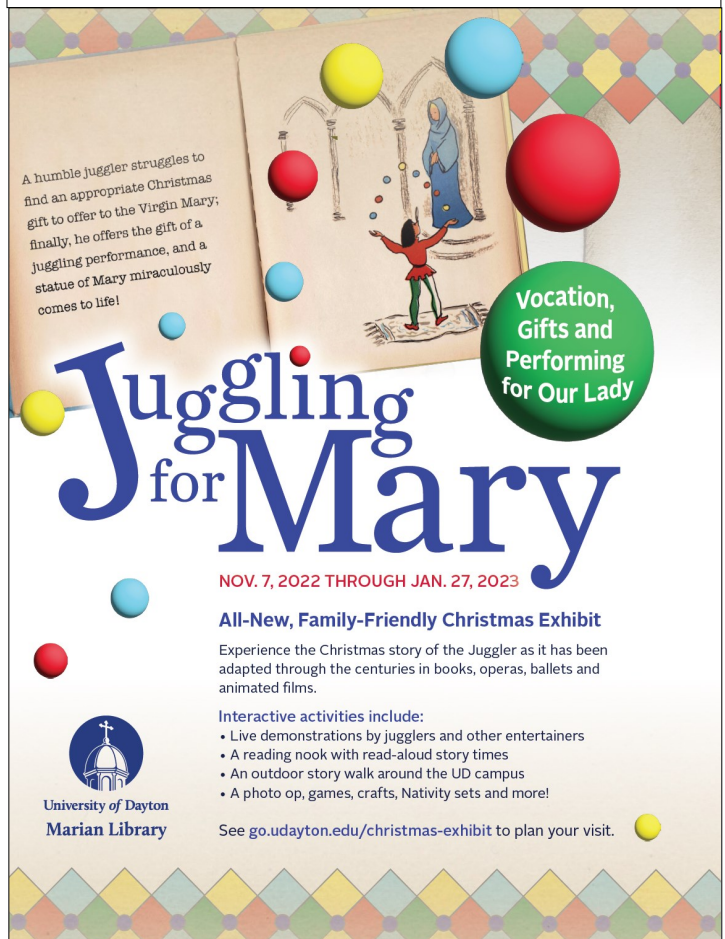
Tues. 1/17 at 6:00 p.m. <https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/81505762165>

Tues. 2/7 at 12:30 p.m. <https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/86503581210>

Tues. 2/7 at 6:30 p.m. <https://catholiccincinnati.zoom.us/j/81726969116>

Registration is not required, but we would love to know if you plan to attend. Please RSVP with Tammie Mers (tmers@catholicaoc.org) in the Catholic Social Action Office. Please contact Liliana Sierra (lsierra@catholicaoc.org) with any questions. All are welcome!

IF YOUR PRE-CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE WAS
TOO PACKED TO HAVE A CHANCE TO GO TO
THIS EXHIBIT AT UD, THERE ARE STILL A FEW
WEEKS LEFT TO ENJOY IT!



A humble juggler struggles to find an appropriate Christmas gift to offer to the Virgin Mary; finally, he offers the gift of a juggling performance, and a statue of Mary miraculously comes to life!

Juggling for Mary

NOV. 7, 2022 THROUGH JAN. 27, 2023

All-New, Family-Friendly Christmas Exhibit

Experience the Christmas story of the Juggler as it has been adapted through the centuries in books, operas, ballets and animated films.

Interactive activities include:

- Live demonstrations by jugglers and other entertainers
- A reading nook with read-aloud story times
- An outdoor story walk around the UD campus
- A photo op, games, crafts, Nativity sets and more!

See go.udayton.edu/christmas-exhibit to plan your visit.

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NE7 FAMILY OF PARISHES ACTIVITIES January 8, 2023

Immaculate Conception Food Pantry

IC Food Pantry's goal is to serve both the parish community and the Belmont neighborhood

Because of God's Grace

Event: Mobile Meal program
groceries & block party for neighbors in need
Where: School Parking Lot
(enter through the drive between the church & the school)
When: January 19th (Third Thursday of each month)
Time: 6-7:00pm

Volunteers are needed!

Sign up at thebogg.org and click on the volunteer tab, scroll to our location/date & sign up.

Volunteers need to arrive at 5:45pm.
Please dress appropriately for the weather, rain or shine.

All are welcome!



MAKING SENSE

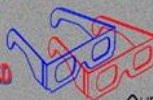
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The goal of *Making Sense* is for teens to understand how God's grace is found in the sacraments of the Church so that through the sacraments, teens will be better able to grow in their faith journeys

To register for this series please contact Marty at martybagatti@icparishdayton.org or 937-252-9919 x209

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.

Engaged or recently married?



Any couples who are engaged or who were married in 2020, 2021 or 2022 are invited to meet other engaged and recently married couples for a "Young Love Service Day." We are partnering with Mission of Mary Cooperative (MMC).

Volunteers will help to clear the community garden beds at Lincoln Hill Garden and the pathways between them. Volunteers should dress for the weather, in layers, with sturdy shoes or boots and an outer layer that can get dirty. Work gloves and tools will be provided by MMC. This work will be physically challenging and involve shoveling, cultivating, weeding, and moving loads of wood chip by wheelbarrow.

Saturday, January 28, 2023 | 10am-2pm

Contact Will Marsh with any questions or to RSVP!



SAVE THE DATE:

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 parish office and at the school office during regular hours. A vital part of our fish fry is the silent auction baskets. While we receive donations from various businesses in the greater Dayton area, we also ask our parishioners for any support they can offer. We are looking for items that can be incorporated into the various baskets that will be created. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office or school office. If you are unable to drop off your donation, Judy can be reached at (937)426 6262 (land line – no texting) or via email at mikejudybarker@yahoo.com to schedule a time for pick up. We ask that all donations be received no later than Friday, January 20, 2023. Thank you in advance for your generous support.





CARING FOR THE AGING

Catholic Social Services (CSSMV) offers multiple programs for older adults, including the Life Essentials guardianship program, which supports seniors deemed mentally incompetent and who do not have family to care for them. "Rebecca," an 80-year-old woman with dementia, had been taken advantage of financially by her boyfriend and was in danger of eviction due to her apartment's lack of upkeep. Thanks to a partnership by CSSMV, Area Agency on Aging, and Senior Resource Connection, Rebecca was moved to an assisted living apartment where she now receives three meals a day, as well as financial and medical assistance, in a safe environment.



Volunteers helped prepare holiday goodie bags for guardianship clients.

A Visit from Santa

Through a holiday giving event for CSSMV clients, more than 400 children and parents received Christmas gifts. About 100 children and parents also met with Santa and also received information about reducing stress and focusing on "presence" in parenting more than presents. Thank you to Ascension, Incarnation, and Holy Trinity for donating gifts and to the John Paul the Great Home Educators for providing the treats!



Back by popular demand, CSSMV Mission Services Manager Darrico Murray suited up as Santa again this year!

Good Samaritan Spotlight

Each year, St. Peter parishioners Martha and Deacon Leo Cordonnier buy gifts for a family in need. This year, through Catholic Social Services, they learned of a grandmother who had been homeless a year ago, cares for four grandchildren, and a few months prior had lost her new house and possessions to a fire. The Cordonniers met the grandmother at the Corner Cupboard Thrift Shop, allowed the client to pick what she needed, and covered the cost.

Words of Wisdom from Pope John Paul II

"How can it be that even today there are still people dying of hunger? Condemned to illiteracy? Lacking the most basic medical care? Without a roof over their heads? . . . Christians must learn to make their act of faith in Christ by discerning His voice in the cry for help that rises from this world of poverty."

Refugee Resettlement: By the Numbers

In 2022, Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley served over 400 refugees, including 77 Ukrainians.

To learn more about these updates or about Catholic Social Services, visit cssmv.org or contact Parish Relations Coordinator Brendan Dillon at 937.223.7217 x1141 or dillonb@cssmv.org.



Diocesan Missionary Cooperative Appeal



Fr. James Huvane will be at St. Helen next Sunday, January 15, for the annual missionary cooperative appeal and collection for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. Fr. Jim will speak at the 9:00 a.m. Mass and give our parishioners an opportunity to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ's name and message to all people. Fr. Huvane was ordained in 1970 and has spent many years in Hong Kong doing mission work, and he regularly returns there. Currently he is assigned to Maryknoll's Church Engagement Department. While at St. Helen, Father will be happy to talk with anyone who is interested in doing overseas mission work as a Maryknoll Priest, Sister, Brother, or lay missionary. You may place envelopes (which will be available) with checks or cash in the black box at the foot of the sanctuary OR you may make a one-time donation via Faith Direct at the link posted on the parish website.

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