



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.”

Matthew 5:16

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The Sermon on the Mount, Fra Angelico (circa 1395-1455)

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This is **Commitment Weekend for the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal**. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Join us in supporting these ministries! Pledge cards are available at the doors for your convenience this weekend. If you have already responded by mail or online, or if you brought your completed pledge card to place in the offertory today, thank you! To make a gift online, visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA.

TIME TO EAT THE ST. HELEN DONUTS!

Today is Donut Sunday! Come on over to the Smith Building after Mass and meet some new people as you enjoy American Classic Donuts made by one of our parish couples!

Thank you to Frank, Stephanie, Iggy, Gus, and Gregory for running our monthly Donut Sunday! We are very grateful.

CONGRATULATIONS, DANIEL, ON BEING A SERVER AT SUNDAY MASS!

So sorry we missed your first time, but we are grateful to have you on our team!!!



READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 12

Sirach 15:15-20
1 Corinthians 2:6-10
Matthew 5:17-37

With heartfelt thanks STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January 28 and 29

\$16,518.50

\$7,816.00 via Faith Direct

"A SCOUT IS REVERENT"

Another year has passed, and Scouting is celebrating its 113rd Birthday. Since 1910 the Scouting program has been the premier youth leadership program in the United States. But as time has progressed the program has changed. While we still stress getting outdoors and away from the keyboards, Scouting has moved its focus to the STEM world.

But today is about the 12th point of the Scout Law which is **a Scout is Reverent**. Today we celebrate a first for St Helen, one in which we are able to recognize our Scouts' achievements in attaining each of the **four Catholic Religious Emblems**. For the **Pope Pius XII**, David MacLeod; for the **Ad Altare Dei**: Joshua Davis, Jack Williams, Jacob Comer and Matthew Polites. **The Parvuli Dei award** is presented to Joseph Williams and Landon Brown while the **Light of Christ** is awarded to Andrew Torres-Santos.

This last year Troop 329 has added **three Eagle Scouts** to their list of members. **Ben Sebastian, David MacLeod and Eric Hilgeford** have been added to this esteemed group of individuals with a 40th scout waiting to complete his trek in the near future.

The Scout units would like to express their great thanks and gratitude to Deacon Jon Danner for his knowledge and expertise in advancing these Scouts in their religious formation.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

9:00 am The James Monell Family (Elaine Monell)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:00 am Eloise Hilgefard (Jenni Hilgefard)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:00 am Marianne Suranofsky (Deb & Jon Danner)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

9:00 am Dale & Ellen Middleton (Mary Jane Middleton)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:00 am Julie Miller

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

9:00 am

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

4:30 pm IC Joe Lehman (Colette Franks)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00 am Patricia Jankay (Diana Glassburn)

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

**BEAUTIFUL LINE FROM THE FINAL SONG IN
"Les Miserables"**

To love another person is to see the face of God.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

9:00 am Mass—Fr. Len (live streamed)

10:00 am—Donut Sunday—SB

10:15 am Religious Education

MONDAY-FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6-10

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6—Fr. Len

10:00 am—Quilters in Quilting Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7—Fr. Uriel

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8—Fr. Len

10:00 am—Quilters in Quilting Room

1:30 pm—Centering Prayer—HR

6:00 pm—Sacrament of Reconciliation Fr. Tony

6:00 pm—Mom's Group—SJ1

7:00 pm—Choir practice

7:00 pm—Parish Pastoral Council—POB

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9—Fr. Len

9:00 am—Whole School Mass—Fr. Uriel

1:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group—SJ1

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10—Fr. Len

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

4:30 pm—Fam Parishes Mass at IC—Fr. Len

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00 am—Mass—Fr. Fitz (live streamed)

10:15 am—Religious Education

*Priest's schedules are tentative &
subject to change.*

February 11 and 12	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Lector	Live Streaming
Saturday, 4:30 PM at IC	Deborah Danner Mary Heider Tom Mahle Monica Whitty	Breanna Mwaura	Mark Sheets (1) Nora Marino (2)	
Sunday, 9:00 AM at SH	Becky Cleaver John Finnegan Mary Finnegan Mary Heider Margie Keenan Billie Jean Szydluk Becca Williams	Jules Ikuzo Aurora Magtibay James Williams Jack Williams	Pete Williams	Josh Rauch



Christ in Me

MCCW Regional Retreats

Coming to a region near you in Spring 2023

I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

More details coming soon!



<https://central23onsiteretreatticket.eventbrite.com/>

MARIAN CONSECRATION STUDY GROUP

Fridays February 10th to March 31st, 5:30-7 p.m., using *Preparation for Total Consecration according to St. Louis de Montfort* by Fr. Hugh Gillespie, S.M.M. (\$10 to purchase) and sharing meatless soups at St. Albert's Spirit Center, 3033 Far Hills Ave., Kettering. Register by February 6 with Gloria Dodd at 937-229-1431 or legionofmarystalbert@yahoo.com.

Widowed? Why not begin 2023 making new friends through Naim, the organization for widowed Catholics. This month celebrate Valentines Day with other Naim members, Monday, February 13, at 1 PM in the St. Henry PAC, 6660 N. Springboro Pike. The regular meeting will be followed by cards & lots of conversation. For more information contact: Agnes Laux @ 937-256-2086.

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!**

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR GIRLS

Dayton Catholic Women's Club Scholarship was established in 2010 to assist graduating high school women of the Catholic faith to further their studies. This \$1000 scholarship is for practicing Catholic girls who are striving to live a Christ centered life. The Scholarship can be used for education at an accredited technical school, junior college, community college or four-year college/university. Please encourage your daughters, granddaughters, and nieces to apply. Apply at: <https://daytonfoundation.academicworks.com/opportunities/7539>

NE7 UPCOMING EVENTS



Ite Missa Est Presents A Six-Week Lenten Series...

"Dark Night of the Soul"

By: St. John of the Cross

Facilitated by: Fr. Satish Joseph

at Immaculate Conception

Friday evenings: February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Time: 6:30-8:00pm (Dinner 6:30pm in MSH/Session 7:00pm in Church)

Register at: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/org/796>

Participate in person or via live stream!

A simple soup and salad dinner is part of each session, IC will provide the meal for the first session.

Participants will be asked to sign up to bring a dish for subsequent weeks.

MEATBALL MADNESS MARDI GRAS

Join us following the 5pm Mass at Holy Angels on February 18th. We will be serving delicious food, drinks and King Cakes. We will also have games and crafts for the children. Cost is \$10 per adult, and \$25 per family with children. This event is sponsored by the Holy Angels, Knights of Columbus, and our Family Faith in Action Commission. RSVP required: go to Holy Angels Parish website www.hasadayton.org by Feb 11.

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Wednesday February 22, 2023

6:30am	SH	Liturgy of the Word w/ Ashes
7:00am	SA	Mass (English)
9:00am	IC	Mass (English)
9:00am	SA, SH, HA	Liturgy of the Word w/ Ashes
11:30am	SM	Mass (English)
12:00pm	SH	Liturgy of the Word w/ Ashes
4:30pm	HA	Mass (English) ***
6:00pm	SM	Mass (Spanish)
7:00pm	IC	Bilingual Mass
7:00pm	SH	Mass (English)
7:00pm	HA	Mass (English) ***
9:00pm	HA	Mass (English) ***

*** indicates a UD Campus Ministry Mass at Holy Angels, all are welcome to participate

ST. ANTHONY FISH FRY NEWS

***SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023 from 6-11pm**

***TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!** \$20 includes dinner and 3 beverages. Available in the back of church after Mass; on the website at <https://stanthonydayton.org>; or at the door of the Fish Fry.

***BECOME A SPONSOR!** Sponsors play an integral role in helping to make the Fish Fry a huge success and receive many instances visual acknowledgement of their generosity! Please visit the website at stanthonydayton.org for more information on the levels of sponsorships.

***VOLUNTEER!** Visit the website, sign up to help at the Fish Fry! It's easy, fun and no experience is necessary!

FEBRUARY 19TH - MARCH 12TH

DINNER PROVIDED

A LIFETEEN SERIES ON LENT

SUNDAYS AT IC 6:30-8:30

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MARTY! MARTYBAGATTI@ICPARISHDAYTON.ORG / 937-252-9919 X 209

This year at Rise, our high school teens will be spending Lent reflecting on... Lent! It's too easy to approach Lent the same way every year, *THERE'S MORE* to it than that!

***But Wait... There's More* is a Lifeteen series to help high schoolers understand Lent through different lenses. We'll develop new perspectives that will lead to a deeper understanding of the season of Lent and strengthen our relationship with Jesus Christ during this liturgical season.**

Location & Contact Information/Dirección e Información de Contacto

Holy Angels/Santos Angeles
211 L St. Dayton 45409
937.229.5911

Immaculate Conception/Inmaculada Concepción
2300 S. Smithville Rd. Dayton, OH 45420
937.252.9919

St. Anthony/Santos Antonio
830 Bowen St. Dayton 45410
937.253.9132

St. Helen/Santa Elena
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January 24, 2023

*Feast of St. Francis de Sales,
patron of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The implementation of Beacons of Light marks a new chapter in the life of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. It is now just over six months since our 208 parishes were organized into 57 Families of Parishes, in several instances under new pastoral leadership. These changes, while necessary and infused with great hope, understandably have been a source of concern and anxiety for many of you, as well as for your priests. Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your patience and fortitude during this time of transition. Your steadfast commitment to the work of the Church and your parish community is a great testament to the depth of your Catholic faith.

In any undertaking as complex as Beacons of Light, it can be easy to “lose the forest for the trees.” For that reason, it is important to pause from time to time and remind ourselves why we are doing this and what we hope to accomplish.

It all begins with the Great Commission given by Jesus to the apostles: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you” (Mt. 28:19-20). The Catholic Church is Christ’s sacramental presence on earth, imbued with the Holy Spirit, given to us as a means for our salvation. All the resources of the Church – human, physical, financial – must be structured, as appropriate for the particular time and place, to proclaiming the Good News of salvation and making disciples.

This is the purpose of Beacons of Light, to enable the vital proclamation of the Gospel for the third century of our own archdiocese. The infrastructure and schedules that were essential to the work of the local Church in decades past may no longer best serve the mission today. Therefore, under the leadership of the pastor, each Family of Parishes will engage in intentional pastoral planning, rooted in sincere prayer and open collaboration, to discern the best configuration of its collective resources to pursue the evangelizing mission of the Church. This is not a project for the priest and parish leaders only, but for the entire parish community, and it will not come to fruition overnight. Patience and fortitude will be essential.

Our hope for this transformative undertaking is that our parishes truly become “beacons of light” – strong, joyful communities of evangelization and service centered on the Eucharist, together growing in faith and radiating the love of Christ to the world. We need to keep this vision in mind to avoid simply getting mired in the details. Every decision within a Family of Parishes should be made with the intent of moving the parish community closer to our desired outcome.

St. Francis de Sales, patron of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, once wrote, “Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.” As we move forward, let us keep these comforting words top-of-mind, praying for, and confident of, the continued blessings of our loving God who has promised to never leave us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati

RADIATE CHRIST



Love in Action

February 2023

Updates from Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley

CSS FOOD PANTRY PROVIDES OPTIONS

Though the pandemic forced Catholic Social Service's food pantry to distribute pre-prepared boxes of food, staff and clients are excited to return to their **Choice Food Pantry model**. This model allows clients to select food themselves when they visit, much like a grocery store. It gives clients a **sense of dignity** and control while limiting food waste.



Pantry Coordinator & Program Assistant Katie Phares stocks shelves in the food pantry.

GOOD SAMARITAN SPOTLIGHT

Phil Lahrmer was given the 2022 RideConnect's volunteer award from Catholic Social Services for his service to the program. He provided **72 rides**, drove over **1,600 miles**, and did it all with a smile!



CEO Laura Roesch, Phil Lahrmer, and Transportation Liaison Heather Robison

MONTHLY POPE QUOTE



"Lent is a time that makes us jointly responsible for one another; it detaches us from our selfishness, small-mindedness, meanness and pride; it is a time that enlightens us and makes us understand better that **we too, like Christ, must serve.**" - Pope St. John Paul

COMMUNITY PARTNER SHOUTOUT

The Brunner Literacy Center provides 1:1 tutoring for adults with a new emphasis on growing their ELL (English Language Learning) programs. **"I'm just learning so much** about what I can actually do, what I'm capable of..." said one student. "I just imagine my son – he's 14, and I'll be able to help him with math and science now instead of telling him to Google it. "Thank you to the BLC for the wonderful work you do with refugees and other clients!"



40 Days of Lenten Thank You's

Find Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley on **Facebook**, **Instagram**, and **Twitter** for our daily Lenten thank-yous!

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.



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