

NWV Family of Parishes



– Strong Families, Strong Parishes – Strong Parishes, Strong Families –

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Pastor

Father Ned Brown

Parochial Vicars

Father James Reutter

Father Matt Feist

Father Andrew Reckers

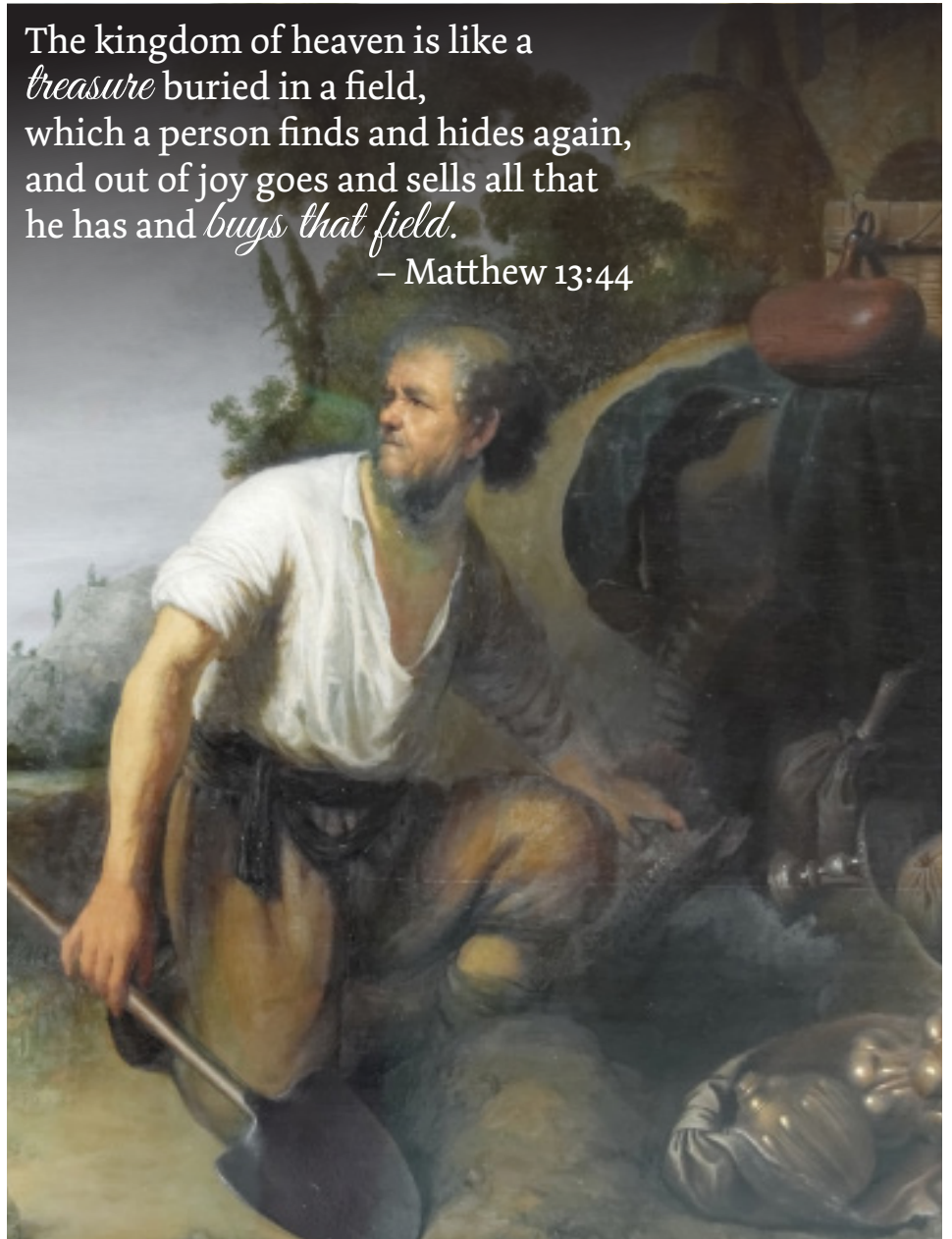
Deacons

Deacon Mike Meyer

Deacon Tom Graber

The kingdom of heaven is like a
treasure buried in a field,
which a person finds and hides again,
and out of joy goes and sells all that
he has and *buys that field*.

– Matthew 13:44



St. Denis – 937-526-4945

14 E. Wood Street, Versailles, Ohio

Holy Family – 937-526-4945

11255 OH-185, Versailles, Ohio

Immaculate Conception – 937-526-4945

200 Clay Street, Bradford, Ohio

St. Louis – 419-582-2531

15 E. Star Road, North Star, Ohio

St. Mary – 937-548-1616

233 W. 3rd Street, Greenville, Ohio

St. Nicholas – 419-582-2531

128 Church Street, Osgood, Ohio

St. Remy – 937-526-3437

108 E. Main Street, Russia, Ohio

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Assumption Mass in Latin

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

8:15 AM Mass at St. Louis

Fellowship & Refreshments
Following Mass

WHILE NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
THIS YEAR, WE STILL WELCOME YOU TO
CELEBRATE MASS WITH US!



VOCATIONS CHALICE REMINDER: We would like to remind everyone to go to the website to sign up to have the Vocations Chalice in your home and to pray for Vocations with your family. There are time slots that are open for you to sign up for. This is a great opportunity for families to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

WHERE IS THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADING US? – As part of Synod 2027, Archbishop Casey invites each of us to participate in a Conversations in the Spirit listening session. Participants will join others across our archdiocese in prayerfully considering what the Holy Spirit is asking of our Church at this time, thereby assisting Archbishop Casey as he establishes pastoral priorities for the future. There are approximately 60 sessions scheduled between Labor Day and Thanksgiving. Register today at <https://catholicaoc.org/conversations>.

FATIMA USA 2026

Spiritual Center of Maria Stein
2365 St. Johns Rd, Maria Stein, OH

Friday, Aug 14
Holy Mass begins
at 7:30 PM

with Fr. Ethan Moore
Parochial Vicar
Holy Cross Family of Parishes

After the Mass, a candle-lit rosary will take form on the grounds as each prayer is recited. The program will conclude with a candle lit procession around the grounds.

Fr. Ethan Moore was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in 2015. He has served as head chaplain for the University of Cincinnati campus ministry and various assignments in the Dayton and Cincinnati area. Father is a big fan of Chick-fil-A sauce, motorcycles, karaoke, but mostly living in the Spirit all for Jesus.



- All priests are invited to concelebrate the Mass
- First Communicants please dress up to participate in the procession
- Candles and holders available
- Donations accepted
- Handicap, bus, and general parking available
- No food services available

Please bring your rosary, lawn chair, flashlight, and Mass and weather appropriate clothing



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Respect Life Prayer Hour

PRAY TO END ABORTION

THURSDAY, JULY 30TH
AFTER 8:15 AM MASS AT ST. DENIS

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein needs volunteers. Can you spare a couple of hours in the morning? Gather your friends and help us make beds/sweep/light dusting. We need you around 9:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m. No more than 2 hours max. We are very busy with retreats and need additional help! What a great opportunity to make a difference. If interested or for more information, please call 419-925-7625 or email marketing@spiritualcenter.net.

All things work for good
for those who love God

SCHOENSTATT FAMILY DAY – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13:

Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Family Day on Sunday, September 13, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Paris Street Park (155 S. Paris Street, Minster). Come enjoy an afternoon of faith, fellowship, and family fun as we gather under the theme, "Together in Mary." The afternoon will include time to connect with others, playground fun, and (if operating) the park's splash pad. Whether you're single, married, or have children, all are welcome! Please RSVP to help with planning by scanning the QR code on the event flyer or using the provided registration link. We hope you'll join us for this joyful celebration of faith, family, and community.



– NWV Family of Parishes Directory –

**St. Denis / Holy Family /
Immaculate Conception**

Phone: 937-526-4945

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday – Closed

Friday – 8:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Mary

Phone: 937-548-1616

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,

Friday

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

St. Remy

Phone: 937-526-3437

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

St. Louis & St. Nicholas

Phone: 419-582-2531

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-Noon



For a complete list of our staff,
please consult our family of
parishes website: nwv.church

BAPTISMS: Baptism and instruction are offered at each parish. To make arrangements, please call the Parish Office. Classes must be attended prior to the Baptism of first child, preferably before the child is born.



PARISH MINISTRIES

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Medical emergency numbers are

St. Denis/Holy Family/Immaculate Conception,
937-709-4146

St. Louis/St. Nicholas, 937-709-4147

St. Mary, 937-709-4145

St. Remy, 937-526-3437

Call parish office for homebound request.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: We offer opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration. Please see the Activities of the Week section for Adoration times.



Youth

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES: The parish conducts weekly events and gatherings for Junior High students and High School teens. The parish also provides Confirmation preparation each year.



Young Adult



MARRIAGES: Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding.

PRAYER INTENTIONS: If you would like to pray our intentions along with your fellow parishioners, or submit a request, please contact the Parish Office.



For more information on ministries,
visit our family of parishes website.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: If you would like to submit items to the bulletin, please submit them 10 days prior to the bulletin in which they will appear. All bulletin submissions should be submitted to communications@bfvcatholic.org.

– A Message from Father Matt Feist –

A MESSAGE FROM SEMINARIAN CHARLIE WIEDENMANN – GUEST WRITING FOR FR. MATT FEIST

PARTICIPATION TROPHIES

When I was growing up, participation trophies were not a significant part of youth sports. I do not remember receiving a trophy when my soccer, basketball, or baseball teams lost. The closest thing I experienced was on the swim team. After each event, ribbons were awarded for first, second, and third place. The remaining swimmers received purple ribbons as a kind of consolation prize, while those competing in exhibition races earned rainbow ribbons. Even then, there was a clear distinction between winning and simply participating.

As the middle child, however, I witnessed the rise of participation trophies through my younger brothers. In the early 2000s, it seemed that everyone received some form of award, whether for participating in sports or for milestone events such as Kindergarten, Fourth-Grade, and Eighth-Grade graduations. This cultural shift sparked debate. Some argued that participation trophies helped children feel included and encouraged involvement. Others believed they diminished the value of genuine achievement because everyone received recognition regardless of performance.

Rather than continuing that cultural debate, it is worth asking a more important question: Is heaven more like an award for excellence, or is it more like a participation trophy that anyone receives simply for showing up?

From one perspective, heaven resembles an award for excellence. Catholic theology teaches that God calls each person to live a life of faith, hope, and charity. Jesus frequently speaks about rewards for perseverance, holiness, and faithful service. The saints teach that while everyone in heaven enjoys perfect happiness, there are different degrees of glory corresponding to a person's love and fidelity to God. Scripture also warns against mere outward participation in religion. Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). Heaven is not something attained through half-hearted commitment.

Yet heaven also resembles a participation trophy in an important sense. God's love and mercy are freely offered to all. Salvation is not reserved for the strongest, smartest, or most accomplished people. Rather, it is a gift made possible through Jesus Christ. God desires the salvation of every person and provides the grace necessary to attain it. The parable of the workers in the vineyard illustrates this truth: those who came late to the workday received the same wage as those who had labored from the beginning. Eternal life is not earned by outperforming others but is received through God's generosity.

Ultimately, heaven is both like a participation trophy and an award for excellence, yet it transcends both comparisons. Every soul in heaven shares complete joy in the presence of God. At the same time, the Church teaches that some experience a greater participation in God's glory because of their greater charity and fidelity during their earthly lives. Unlike earthly awards, these differences create no jealousy or competition. Instead, the blessed rejoice in one another's holiness. Heaven is the fulfillment of God's gift of salvation, where grace is freely given, faithfulness is rewarded, and love receives its eternal crown.

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GOLDEN JUBILEE MASSES WITH ARCHBISHOP CASEY: Couples celebrating a jubilee wedding anniversary (25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc.) are invited to Mass with Archbishop Casey on November 15th (Cincinnati) or 21st (Dayton). Family members are welcome to attend as well, and a special blessing will be offered to the jubilarian couples. Couples should RSVP by November 2nd. Scan the QR code to complete your registration today.

DARKE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE COMMUNITY SALE: The Darke County Right to Life Community Sale will be held at the Versailles Knights of Columbus Hall (8440 St. Rt. 47, Versailles) on Wednesday, August 12 (5:00-8:00 p.m.), Thursday, August 13 (9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.), and Friday, August 14 (9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.). Shop for clothing, shoes, baby items, toys, furniture, household goods, outdoor items, bicycles, and much more. Friday features a \$3.00 bag sale on clothing and ½-price miscellaneous items! **Donations of clean, gently used items (no box TVs) will be accepted on Monday and Tuesday, August 10-11, from 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.** Volunteers are also needed to help sort donations, assist during the sale, and load unsold items on Friday evening. To volunteer or for more information, contact Marlene Puthoff at 937-658-0948 or Terese Pohlman at 937-638-8116.

– Saint Denis, Holy Family, Immaculate Conception –

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule for the Week of July 26, 2026

Saturday, July 25

- 9:30 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:30 p.m.)
- 3:30 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (SD) Doris Monnin

Sunday, July 26

- 9:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Neil Goubeaux
- 10:15 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:45 a.m.)
- 11:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Our Family of Parishes
- 3:30 p.m. (HF) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (HF) Urban & Rita Winner

Monday, July 27

- 11:30 a.m. Mass (SD) Alice Mangen
- 12:15 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 1:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, July 28

- 8:15 a.m. Mass (HF) Web Bruns

Wednesday, July 29

- 8:15 a.m. Mass (SD) Kay Poeppelman and Diane Frantz
- 7:00 p.m. (HF) Rosary

Thursday, July 30

- 8:15 a.m. Mass (SD) Homer & Alice DeMange, Karen DeMange, Barbara Monnin, John F. Simon
- 9:00 a.m. (SD) Exposition
- 9:00 a.m. (SD) Adoration (ending at 6:15 p.m.)
- 5:15 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 6:15 p.m.)
- 6:20 p.m. (SD) Benediction

Friday, July 31

- 7:10 a.m. Mass (SD) Darren Ruhenkamp

Saturday, August 1

- 8:00 a.m. (HF) Confessions
- 9:00 a.m. Mass (HF) Poor Souls in Purgatory
- 9:30 a.m. (SD) Confessions Cancelled
- 3:30 p.m. (SD) Confessions until 4:15 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (SD) Tom Eilerman

Sunday, August 2

- 9:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Bernice Berger
- 10:15 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:45 a.m.)
- 11:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Ambrose Goubeaux
- 3:30 p.m. (HF) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (HF) Dale Petitjean

All Masses at St. Denis are *ad orientem* except Friday morning and Saturday Vigil Masses. Posture subject to change. All Masses at Holy Family are *versus populum*, except Mass in Latin on 1st Friday.

– Events/News –



PARISHIONERS CAN SUPPORT St. Denis Parish, Holy Family Parish, and Immaculate Conception Parish through traditional envelopes, online giving, or recurring bill pay. Online giving through We Share offers convenient one-time or recurring donations, however, processing fees will apply. Envelope giving remains the most economical option for the parish, costing about \$4.50 per year per parishioner. Donations can also be directed to a specific parish through We Share, and envelope donations are credited to the parish associated with the envelope, even if placed in a collection at another church. Online giving can be set up by scanning the QR code. Once you get to the landing page, select your parish. Thank you for your generosity!

ST. DENIS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION for the 2026-27 school year is now live! This year, all registration is online on the **NEW** Northwest-V website (nww.church) under the Religious Education tab. Registration is due by August 14th. A late fee of \$50.00 applies to forms/fees received after August 14th. Additional details regarding the changes in the schedule, youth ministry, new catechists, and more coming soon! Scan the QR code to register your child today.



IT'S CHRISTMAS IN JULY! Help us spread joy and support our religious education program this summer! As you may have noticed, Christmas trees are located at all church entrances including Holy Family. If you would like to support the religious education program, there are envelopes on the trees for you to take and select how you would like to support the religious education programs. OR, choose to scan our QR code to purchase items from our Religious Education Amazon Wish List! Please drop off contribution envelopes in the collection basket or the parish office.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLIC RECENTLY BAPTIZED AT ST. DENIS CHURCH!

Eleanor Irene

Daughter of Austin &
Kirstin (Voisard) Erisman



– Ministry Schedule –

Available for viewing on our website nww.church or scan the QR code

nww.church

– Saint Louis & Saint Nicholas –

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule for the Week of July 26, 2026

Monday, July 27

No Mass

Tuesday, July 28

4:45 p.m. Confessions (SL) (ending at 5:45 p.m.)
6:15 p.m. Mass (SL) Alvin & Rita Spraley

Wednesday, July 29

8:15 a.m. Mass (SN) Walter Frey
4:15 p.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 4:45 p.m.)

Thursday, July 30

8:15 a.m. Mass (SL) Lois Knapke
5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (SN)
(ending at 9:00 p.m.)
7:30 p.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 8:30 p.m.)
8:45 p.m. Benediction (SN)

Friday, July 31

11:30 a.m. Mass (SN) Xavier Miller & Liam Wilson

Saturday, August 1

1:00 p.m. Winner & Schlumbohm Wedding (SL)
3:00 p.m. Confessions (SL) (ending at 3:45 p.m.)
4:00 p.m. Mass (SL) Albert & Ruth Hemmelgarn
Family

Sunday, August 2

7:30 a.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 8:15 a.m.)
8:30 a.m. Mass (SN) Lester Albers & Schmidt Family
10:30 a.m. Mass (SL) Marilyn Huwer
7:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers (SL)

Weekday Masses and the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will be ad orientem (a.o.), Sunday Vigil and the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Masses will be versus populum (v.p.).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE. To sign up, go to www.nwv.church. Click on Parishes, click on your parish name, click on Schedules then click on "Vocations Chalice Registration." Receiving the chalice to display in their homes the week of July 19-August 2: Gregg & Brenda Hemmelgarn. **A volunteer is needed for St. Nicholas.**

ADORER NEEDED FOR 1ST THURSDAY of the month from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Nicholas Church. If interested, contact the parish office at stlouis.stnicholasoffice@gmail.com or 419-582-2531.

BAPTISM & BEYOND CLASS will be held on Monday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Louis Church basement. All couples are to attend before Baptism. Call 419-582-2531 to register.

– Events/News –

ST. MARIA'S PRODUCE STAND is open on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. The stand is located on the corner of St. Rt. 705 and US Rt. 127 (Happy Corner Garage parking lot). Gardeners are welcome to donate fruits and vegetables from their gardens. The public is invited to come and offer donations for whatever they wish to take home.

MEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for setting up before funeral luncheons and tearing down after at Osgood Community Veterans Center. If able to help, please call or text Mary Bohman at 937-623-0045. Thank you!

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY! A Mass in Latin will be offered at 8:15 a.m. at St. Louis, North Star. Following Mass, all are welcome to gather for refreshments and fellowship in the basement. Please note that because the Assumption falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, it is still a beautiful day to honor Our Lady, and we hope to see you there! Help with Refreshments: If you would like to help provide refreshments, please sign up in the St. Louis Gathering Room or contact Katelyn Warner at 937-417-6267.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed July 27-31.

TO SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE NOTIFICATIONS:

St. Louis: www.flocknote.com/stlouisnorthstar

St. Nicholas: www.flocknote.com/stnicholaschurch45351

Congratulations

Morgan Winner & Kameron Schlumbohm

who entered into the sacrament of holy matrimony on

Saturday, August 1, 2026

St. Louis Catholic Church

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLIC RECENTLY BAPTIZED AT ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH!

Harper Marie

Daughter of Luke and
Grace Mangan



ST. LOUIS

– Ministry Schedule –

Schedule available on our website at nwv.church or scan the QR code

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ST. NICHOLAS

– Saint Mary –

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule for the Week of July 26, 2026

Saturday, July 25

3:30 p.m. Confessions

4:30 p.m. Mass – James B. Koontz, Sr.

Sunday, July 26

8:00-8:15 a.m. Confessions

8:30 a.m. Mass – Mary McEldowney

9:45-10:15 a.m. Confessions

10:30 a.m. Mass – DeColores Montessori Students & Staff

11:30 a.m. Coffee & Donuts

Monday, July 27

4:45 p.m. Confessions

5:30 p.m. Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Crandall Family

Tuesday, July 28

Office Closed – No Mass

Wednesday, July 29

8:00 a.m. Mass – Darlene Grubb

8:30 a.m. Exposition/Adoration

6:00 p.m. **No Confessions**

6:45 p.m. Benediction

Thursday, July 30

11:30 a.m. Mass – Fr. John White

12:00 p.m. Fatima Rosary

Friday, July 31

8:00 a.m. Mass – Norm & Sue Bauer

Saturday, August 1

3:30 p.m. Confessions

4:30 p.m. Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Martino & Myers Families

Sunday, August 2

8:00-8:15 a.m. Confessions

8:30 a.m. Mass – Lucille Graber

9:45-10:15 a.m. Confessions

10:30 a.m. Mass – The People of Our Family of Parishes

**Ad Orientem Masses are Fridays and Sundays*

TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE: Pray for vocations in our family of parishes by signing up to take the chalice case home for two weeks. Visit www.nwv.church, click on St. Mary's Parish, then scroll down to the Vocations Chalice button and click on it. Then, enter your name and phone number for the two-week period that you'd like to have it.

THE GATHERING: Join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month for lunch and a gathering after Mass. Bring a dish to share and a drink. Bring food to the school basement before 9:45 a.m. and plug in, if needed. Gathering people together for good food and good conversations.

– Events/News –

ST. MARY'S WEDDING COORDINATOR: Do you love weddings? Want to help the bride on her big day? St. Mary's needs a volunteer wedding coordinator. Call the office at 937-548-1616, ext. 1003, to learn more about what is involved.

GREENVILLE GRACE SOUP KITCHEN: St. Mary's is looking for someone who would like to head up the Soup Kitchen Day on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Call the office for more information at 937-548-1616, ext. 1003.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Nova Vazquez, Rick Macias, Angie Ayette, Jim Grilliot, Mary Ann Simon, Jamey Simon, Rick Evans, Gloria Evans, Brenda Smith, Nicole Asher, Richard Winemiller, Regina Schieltz, Alicia Crandall, Melissa Dunker, Traci Smith, Brenda McCoy, Ray Beyke, Steve Brandt, Lester McCullough, Diana Knick, Lena Stammen, Elijah Moore, Tyler Roberts, Craig Beck, Nanette Keiser, Brenda Sloane, Ken Pence, Ed Trittschuh, Stephanie Ward, Marie Tegtmeier, Tom Gibbons, Steve Warren, Linda Stachler, Tom & Rita McEldowney. Please call the office to add or remove a loved one's name.

REGULAR AND ONLINE GIVING: The online giving link is <http://giving.parishsoft.com/stmary>. This is a convenient way to donate to the parish. You can establish a user account for one-time or scheduled giving. If you do not already have an assigned envelope number and would like envelopes, please call the office. There are extra boxes of envelopes in the church office. You can still put donations right into the collection basket, mail them in or use the BillPay function at your local bank. Thank you for being so supportive of St. Mary's Church.

SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS: St. Mary's will be hosting "Spreading the Good News, a Study of Acts of the Apostles," a DVD presentation by Jeff Cavins, and facilitated by Ann Kolb. It will be held at the St. Mary Parish Center on Tuesday mornings beginning September 8, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. There is no cost for the course; however, the workbook is \$35.00. Call Ann Kolb at 937-621-2282 for further questions or to order your workbook.

JULY MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT: Join us for movie night, Monday, July 27, 6:30 p.m. There will be a watch party at the Parish Center for the movie: *A Man for All Seasons*. Refreshments will be available. This winner of "Best Picture of 1966" tells the story of the challenges that Saint Thomas More faced in light of King Henry VIII demands to approve his divorce in order to marry his mistress. What unfolds is a battle of wills packed with palace intrigue, political brinkmanship, and the fate of man, church and country. Rated G / Run Time 120 minutes.

– Ministry Schedule –

Schedule available on our website at nwv.church or scan the QR code



– Saint Mary School –



WE ARE NOW REGISTERING FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR! We are currently registering students for the upcoming school year for PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE! Yes! There are still openings available!!! You can contact the office at 937-548-2345, email us at info@smsgvl.com, or scan the QR code! We look forward to meeting you!

SGO! (SCHOLARSHIP GRANTING ORGANIZATION) Do you pay Ohio Income Tax? Would you like to direct your tax money to Catholic education? There is a program called Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) where you can donate through the archdiocese and select St. Mary's School (Greenville) (CO1885) as your designated school. By donating this way, you can receive an Ohio tax credit of up to \$750.00 individual or \$1,500.00 joint filing. To donate, visit catholicbestchoice.org/sgo/. When you make your donation, REMEMBER TO DESIGNATE ST. MARY'S SCHOOL (GREENVILLE) (CO1885). Scan the QR code for more information.



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SCRIP PROGRAM! Here's how you can get started supporting St. Mary's School with RaiseRight (SCRIP program) today:



1. Use the QR code to join St. Mary's Catholic School program. Or visit RaiseRight.com/Enroll and enter 534D73C68972 to join.
2. Create your secure RaiseRight account in just a few steps.
3. Buy gift cards or shop online at hundreds of brands offering earnings. Many physical gift cards are reloadable, so you can instantly add more money in your RaiseRight Wallet to keep using them.
4. Dine at local restaurants and earn 5% back when you use a linked credit or debit card as payment. With 20,000 participating locations nationwide, you can earn while dining near home and traveling!
5. Download the RaiseRight mobile app (available for iOS and Android devices) so you can buy gift cards instantly from your phone. Your eGift card purchases are available in your RaiseRight Wallet and can be scanned from your phone during checkout while shopping.

One of the fastest ways to get into the habit of earning is to use gift cards for groceries and gas each week! Search for your favorite brands or browse the categories. Contact Amy Hadden at ahadden@smsgvl.com or call 937-548-2345 if you have any questions along the way! Thank you for your support!!

GIVING BACK! Did you know that you could also give back to the school (at NO COST to you!) by linking your KROGER card? Just follow the steps below and then each time you shop at Kroger, a portion of what you spend goes to the school! Go to Kroger's account online.

1. Select "My Account,"
2. Select "Community Rewards," search for "StMary's Parish-School" or #TT245,
3. Select "ENROLL." THANK YOU!

BUS DRIVERS NEEDED! Greenville City Schools are looking to hire school bus drivers! If you are interested, please contact the Greenville Schools office.



– Saint Remy –

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule for the Week of July 26, 2026

Saturday, July 25

- 3:30 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Doc & Hilda Francis and the Living & Deceased Members of the Delbert & Ruth Francis Family

Sunday, July 26

- 8:00 a.m. Confession (ending at 8:45 a.m.)
9:00 a.m. The Family of Dallas Alt
11:00 a.m. Linus & Rita (Wedding Anniversary), Doug, & Jack Monnin

Wednesday, July 29

- 11:15 a.m. Paul, Cecelia, & Guy Borchers

Thursday, July 30

- 8:15 a.m. Vocations
9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
3:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:00 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 8:20 p.m.)
8:30 p.m. Benediction

Friday, July 31

- 8:15 a.m. Deb Wehner

Saturday, August 1

Wedding: Adam Kremer & Salem Leach

- 3:30 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Clarence & Alvina Cordonnier

Sunday, August 2

- 8:00 a.m. Confession (ending at 8:45 a.m.)
9:00 a.m. Firmin, Theresa, & Bob Alexander
11:00 a.m. Marlene Drees (40th Anniversary)

REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR CCD AND YOUTH

MINISTRY: Registration packets can be found in the back of church. Please pick up one packet per family and one Emergency Medical Form per child. Parents should have received an email with this information; if you did not, please notify Samantha Hightower at the parish office. Forms and payments should be turned in at the parish office; they may be placed in the tray on the table in the entryway, brought upstairs during business hours, or slid under the door to the office outside of business hours.

ADORER NEEDED: We are looking for an adorer during Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays from 9:00-10:00 a.m. each week. One volunteer has offered to cover the fourth Thursday of the month. If you are willing to cover one or more of the remaining weeks, please call Maria in the parish office at 937-526-3437.

– Events/News –

OUR NEWLY TRAINED 5TH GRADERS WILL BE SERVING AT HOLY MASS ON WEEKDAYS. Serving on July 29 at 11:15 a.m., on July 30 at 8:15 a.m., and on July 31 at 8:15 a.m. are Noah Grieshop, Luke Prenger, and Matthew York.

RELIGION TEACHERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR. Would you like to help make our children's spiritual academic year a success? We need teachers for the following grades:

- Sixth Grade on Wednesdays from 2:10-3:10 p.m. (one teacher needed)
- Seventh Grade on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. (one teacher needed)

If you have any questions, please contact Samantha Hightower at the parish office at 937-526-3437 or shightower@nwv.church.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. REMY WELCOME RETREAT:

October 10 and 11th, 2026. We are having a Welcome Retreat for any woman in the parish who is interested in a deeper relationship with Jesus and with other women of faith. This is an overnight retreat and will take place at the old Saint Denis School next to the church in Versailles. It will be given by the ladies of Saint Michael's Parish to the ladies of St. Remy. It begins at 8:30 on Saturday morning with breakfast and lasts until 3:00 Sunday afternoon. All meals and snacks and drinks will be provided, along with materials for the retreat. Cost is \$50.00 to cover these costs. Sleeping accommodations will be arranged by their core members but if staying overnight is not desired, you can go home Saturday evening and return Sunday morning by 8 o'clock. The flyers that are posted in church have a QR code that you can access the online registration form. We will also have a sign-up sheet in the back of church for anyone who doesn't want to use the QR code. We ask that all interested women please register by August 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Janice Tebbe at 937-638-2525 or Karen Rosenbeck at 937-638-9630.

WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON AT ST. REMY? Sign up for "Flocknote" emails and/or texts at stremy.flocknote.com. You may also call the parish office at 937-526-3437 to sign up.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLIC
BAPTIZED AT ST. REMY CHURCH ON JULY 19, 2026!**

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Daughter of Lukas & Kara
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– Ministry Schedule –

Available for viewing on our website nwv.church or scan the QR code

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– Saint Louis & Saint Nicholas –

CCD NEWS

CCD WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER. If your child is new to the CCD program, please notify the office at stlouis.stnicholasoffice@gmail.com or 419-582-2531. Registration packets will be available in August.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you have someone to put on the prayer chain, call the office or call Marianne Brunswick at 937-467-9639.

SOLEMN VESPERS: St. Louis will be having Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) every Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

Every Thursday, June 18th-August 13th



START YOUR THURSDAY MORNINGS WITH 8:15 MASS AT ST. LOUIS FOLLOWED BY DONUTS AND FELLOWSHIP AT THE NORTH STAR PARK. COME AND BRING A FRIEND-ALL ARE WELCOME!

The law of your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

– Psalm 119:72



– Saint Remy –

INTERESTED IN SETTING UP AUTOMATIC DONATIONS TO ST. REMY CHURCH? The best and fee-free way of doing so is to sign up for "bill pay" through your personal bank. They will automatically mail checks to St. Remy at the frequency you choose; these checks will be deposited with the Sunday collection. Another option, which incurs fees for the church, is to sign up for online giving at stremychurch.com/online-giving-finance. Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

ST. REMY CHURCH IS PUTTING TOGETHER A NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY. The remaining photography dates are October 20-24. The committee is contacting those who have not already signed up and are finding that many phone numbers are outdated in our database. That means that we are not able to contact you. If you have not signed up, please go to www.ucdir.com and use church code "oh2922" and password "member-SRCC" or just simply call the parish office at 937-526-3437.

WHO ARE THE SECULAR FRANCISCANS? This group is comprised of men and women who are called to proclaim the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the spirit of St. Francis. "Our Lady of Mercy" is the Secular Franciscan Fraternity that meets in Springfield on the second Sunday of every month from 1:30-4:00 p.m. The afternoon includes praying the Franciscan Crown Rosary, having spiritual reflection, reading from the writings of St. Francis, receiving ongoing Franciscan formation, praying Evening Liturgy of the Hours, and enjoying a light meal and social time. For more information, please contact Dan Monnin at 937-417-8589.

WE ARE IN NEED OF USHERS FOR THE 9:00 AND 11:00 A.M. MASSES. Ushers are asked to volunteer for one month at a time, four times per year and can trade with other ushers if necessary. Please contact Maria at the parish office for more information.

2026
ST. REMY
Welcome Retreat
OCT. 10 & 11

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER



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FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT:
JANICE TEBBE 937-638-2525 OR
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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, July 26, 2026

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalms 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

Monday, July 27, 2026

Weekday

Jeremiah 13:1-11

Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21

Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

Weekday

Jeremiah 14:17-22

Psalms 79:8, 9, 11 and 13

Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday, July 29, 2026

Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21

Psalms 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18

John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42

Thursday, July 30, 2026

Weekday

Jeremiah 18:1-6

Psalms 146:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6ab

Matthew 13:47-53

Friday, July 31, 2026

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Jeremiah 26:1-9

Psalms 69:5, 8-10, 14

Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday, August 1, 2026

Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24

Psalms 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34

Matthew 14:1-12

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

SAINT TITUS BRANDSMA

Saint of the Day: July 27

Patron Saint of Catholic journalists and Catholic Esperantists

Given the birth name Anno, Brandsma and his siblings grew up on their parents' dairy farm in rural Frisia. As devout Catholics, the family was in the minority among their Calvinist neighbors. From age 11 Anno was educated at a preparatory school for boys who were studying for the priesthood. He joined the Carmelite novitiate in 1898, taking the name Titus Brandsma in honor of his father.

In the years following his 1905 ordination, Brandsma received a doctorate in philosophy and initiated a project to translate the works of Saint Teresa of Avila into Dutch. One of the founders of the Catholic University of Nijmegen, he served as a professor of philosophy and the history of mysticism at the school. While there Brandsma was known more for his availability to faculty and students than for his academic achievements.

Working as a journalist Brandsma served as ecclesiastical advisor to Catholic journalists. His long-standing opposition to Nazi ideology came to the attention of the Nazis when they invaded the Netherlands in 1940. In direct opposition to the Third Reich, the Conference of Dutch Bishops sent a letter ordering Catholic newspaper editors not to print Nazi propaganda. Fr. Brandsma was arrested while hand delivering the letter in January 1942. After being imprisoned in several other facilities, in June he was taken to the Dachau camp in Germany.

During his brief time at Dachau Fr. Brandsma was well-known for his kindness and spiritual support of other prisoners. His death on July 26, 1942 was a result of the Reich's program of medical experimentation on prisoners. He gave a wooden rosary to the nurse who administered the fatal injection; she later became Catholic and testified to his holiness. In recent years Brandsma has been honored by both the cities of Nijmegen and Dachau. Titus Brandsma was beatified in 1985, and canonized in 2022.



Read the full article: "Saint Titus Brandsma" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-titus-brandsma/> (Accessed June 19, 2026).

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