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Holy Trinity

419-678-4802
120 E. Main St.
P.O. Box 107
Coldwater, OH 45828

Mon - Thurs:
8:30 am - 12:30 pm & 1 pm - 5 pm
Fri: 8:30 am - 1 pm

Family Offices



Mary Help of Christians

419-375-4153
403 Sharpsburg Road
Fort Recovery, Ohio 45846

Mon: 9 am - 3 pm
Tues - Thurs: 8 am - 5 pm
Fri: 9 am - 1 pm



Website:

www.holycrossfop.org



Facebook:

www.facebook.com/holycrossfop



St. Anthony



St. Joseph



St. Mary



St. Paul



St. Peter

Sunday, June 1, 2025
The Ascension of the Lord

Mass Cancellations

Currently, we have the means to use One Call Now, our Webpage, and Facebook for Mass Cancellations. If you are not signed up for One Call Now and would like to be, you must request to be added by either calling the Fort Recovery or Coldwater Office.

Liturgy Schedule (Note: This schedule is subject to change per priest availability)

Day	Mass Intention	Time	Church	Confession
Monday, June 2 <i>Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs; opt. mem.</i>	Ginny Baucher †	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	John Bihn †	6:45 pm	St. Peter	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, June 3 <i>Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs; Memorial</i>	L/D Norb Geier Family †	7:15 am	St. Mary	After Mass
	L/D Walter & Katherine Bergman Family †	6:45 pm	St. Joseph	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, June 4 <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Louis Lennartz †	7:15 am (L/S)	MHC	After Mass
	George & Salome Zehringer †	Noon (L/S)	Holy Trinity	11:30 am - end
Thursday, June 5 <i>Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr; Memorial</i>	Bryan Siefring †	7:15 am	St. Paul	After Mass
	Mary H. Wenning †	6:45 pm	St. Anthony	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Friday, June 6 <i>Saint Norbert, Bishop; opt. mem.</i>	L/D Clarence & Regina Weitzel Family †	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Mary Rammel †	Noon (L/S)	MHC	11:30 am - end
Saturday, June 7 <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Marjorie Schoenherr †	9:00 am	St. Joseph	After Mass
	Carl Rose †	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	3:15 - 3:45 pm
	Jim Rengers †	4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	3:45 - 4:15 pm
	Dennis & Sharon Ontrop 50 th Wedding Anniv.	4:30 pm (L/S)	MHC	3:45 pm - end
Sunday, June 8 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	Amelia Pearson †	7:00 am	St. Joseph	N/A
	Joseph Buening †	8:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	7:25 am - end
	Carol Hartnagel †	9:00 am (L/S)	MHC	8:25 am - end
	Robert & Evelyn Geise †	10:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	9:25 am - end
	Mary Faller †	11:00 am	St. Paul	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Members of the Holy Cross Family of Parishes	11:00 am	St. Peter	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Dale Sutter †	Noon	St. Mary	11:25 - 11:45 am
	Francis Wenning †	6:00 pm	Holy Trinity	5:15 - 5:45 pm

MASSSES ONLINE — Watch Masses at Holy Trinity & Mary Help of Christians online, indicated by (L/S) with the time. Masses are also archived and viewable on a later day and can be accessed on the website: holycrossfop.org

Reference for Church Abbreviations

SA = St. Anthony HT = Holy Trinity
 SJ = St. Joseph SM = St. Mary
 SPL = St. Paul SPT = St. Peter
 MHC = Mary Help of Christians

Adoration Schedules

Mon., SPT: 5:45 - 6:30 pm Wed., HT: 8 am - 11:45 am
 Tues., SM: 7:45 am - Noon Thurs., SPL: 7:45 am - 5 pm
 Tues., SJ: 8:30 am - 6:30 pm Thurs., SA: 5:45 - 6:30 pm
 Fri., MHC: 8 - 11:45 am

St. Joseph - First Fridays of the Month

8:30 pm Friday - 8:30 am Saturday

Contact Info.: Adoration.nw1@gmail.com

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Ministry Schedule

Notice: The below scheduled ministers are responsible for finding a substitute if they are unable to fill the originally assigned position.
- Thank You!

– Mary Help of Christians –

Wednesday, June 4, 7:15 am

Servers: Chase Fiely

Lector: Les Wenning

Friday, June 6, 12:00 pm

Servers: Joseph Bruns

Lector: Ted Romer

Saturday, June 7, 4:30 pm

Servers: Carson Fullenkamp, Lane Zehringer, Rachel Fortkamp

Lector: Lisa Romer

EMHC: Lisa Zehringer, Debbie Bueter

Sacristan: Tom & Debbie Bueter

Ushers: Floyd Bergman, Don Lennartz, Nick Dues, Jeff Fullenkamp

Sunday, June 8, 9:00 am

Servers: Josh Evers, Tony Evers, Blake Homan, Jackson Barga

Lector: Tom Remaklus

EMHC: Mark Lochtefeld, Heather Lochtefeld

Sacristan: Sharon Metzger

Ushers: Steve Vogel, Gary J. Wendel, Randy Wendel, Don Willmann

– St. Joseph –

Tuesday, June 3, 6:45 pm

Servers: Joseph Bruns, Levi Sutter

Lector: Danielle Pottkotter

Sacristan: Matt Hess

Saturday, June 7, 9:00 am

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby

Lector: Mary Gaerke

Sunday, June 8, 7:00 am

Servers: Tyler Dues, Blaise Bergman, Brinley Steinbrunner, Tanner Grube

Lector: Aimee Pottkotter

EMHC: Aimee Pottkotter

Sacristan: Paige Schulze

Ushers: Grant Pottkotter, Jerry Sutter

– St. Paul –

Thursday, June 5, 7:15 am

Servers: Hart Family

Sunday, June 8, 11:00 am

Servers: Alexis Grisez, Hailey Grisez, Landon Sudhoff, Raelyn Sudhoff

Lector: Mary Lochtefeld

EMHC: Deacon Dan Kahlig, Angie Will

Ushers: Kevin Will, Doug Evers

Rosary: Joe & Kim Knapke

– St. Peter –

Monday, June 2, 6:45 pm

Servers: Tyler Kahlig

Lector: Tim Hart

Sunday, June 8, 11:00 am

Servers: Reed Westgerdes, Will Westgerdes, Carter Fortkamp, Brinley Fortkamp, Addison Fortkamp, Theo Schmitz

Lector: Nathan Fortkamp

EMHC: Jim Knapke

Sacristan: Brenda Kahlig

Ushers: Bob Roessner, Dan Overman

– Holy Trinity –

Monday, June 2, 7:15 am

Servers: Blake Wenning, Dillan Wenning

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Wednesday, June 4, 12:00 pm

Servers: Samuel Gerlach, Oliver Link

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Friday, June 6, 7:15 am

Servers: Emmett Wermert, Heidi Wermert

Lector: Rita Riethman

Saturday, June 7, 4:30 pm

Servers: Lucas Broering, Emma Siefing, Zachery Schwieterman

Lector: Tara Berkenstock

EMHC: Connie May, Mark Obringer, Brenda Schwieterman

Sunday, June 8, 8:00 am

Servers: Karsyn Homan, Kratyn Homan, Krew Homan

Lector: Paul Howell

EMHC: Abbie Homan, Linda Brunswick

Sunday, June 8, 10:00 am

Servers: Archer Bihn, Mandi Hart, Liam Cowan, Josh Evers

Lector: Stacy Beougher

EMHC: Cindy Hemmelgarn, Lynn Giere, Nick Schmitmeyer

Sunday, June 8, 6:00 pm

Servers: Levi Sutter, Olivia Broering

Lector: Ryan Sutter

EMHC: Charmaine Bettinger, Sarah Klosterman

– St. Anthony –

Thursday, June 5, 6:45 pm

Servers: Wesley Geier

Lector: Paul Welling

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Saturday, June 7, 4:00 pm

Servers: Zach Homan, Mason Alig, Lily Alig, Jack Link

Lector: Cindy Homan

EMHC: Rodney Homan

Sacristan: Bonnie Muhlenkamp

Ushers: Corey Sudhoff

Rosary: Marty Knapke

– St. Mary –

Tuesday, June 3, 7:15 am

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby

Lector: Viki Dues

Sunday, June 8, 12:00 pm

Servers: Benjamin Liette, Jay Liette, Reagan Liette, Andrew Moorman

Lector: Adam Liette

EMHC: Tracy Liette

Ushers: Craig Harting, Kevin Welling





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Welcome Back, Fr. Joseph!

He's not back yet, but in just a few days, he will be. Father Joseph will be back in the saddle later this week, and I cannot be more excited for him to come back. I'm extremely happy that he was able to visit his family--and I'm sure his family was so happy to see him!--but his absence has made me remember just how much he brings to the table: solid homilies, a deep love for the Lord, his joy filled smile, and willingness to do whatever needs to be done to serve the people of God. We've all missed him terribly, but let's say a prayer of thanksgiving that not only will Fr. Joseph be back, but that we have the gift of his person living and working in our parishes in the first place.



Fr. Joseph's Brother, his wife, and their mother with Fr. Joseph's niece and nephew!

All this being said, I'd be remiss if I didn't thank the vicars for their hard work during Fr. Joseph's family leave. I'm grateful to God for both of them. Father Ethan has brought a lot of chaotic fun to our parishes. He is such a joy to live with in the rectory as well. I'm grateful for his hard work and his ability to pull people (including me) out of our shells. Pope Francis once encouraged people not to be afraid to "make a mess" in bringing them closer to Jesus Christ. Mustaches, mullets, and Marian consecrations are all great ways that Fr. Ethan has brought people closer to Christ, and I'm so thankful for the chaotic fun he brings to our parishes!

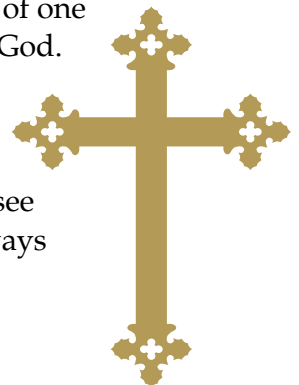
Finally, I never expected to be able to work with Fr. Barry again. He was my internship pastor, and he vested me when I became a priest. He has always been a good mentor and willing to pick me up when I've been down. He has continued to be such a gift to me and our parishes as well. His love for our Eucharistic Lord and desire for people to enter more deeply into the Mass and the Sacraments are things that we need to be reminded of constantly. He has helped me to see things in a different light more than once over the past few months. I couldn't have gotten through the past few weeks without either Fr. Ethan or Fr. Barry. Thank you both for your incredible hard work. Let's keep doing what we can to win souls for Christ!

But as important as the priests might be to making our parishes run, we'd be absolutely spinning our wheels without our staff. Each of them does their work with incredible generosity, and I'm proud of their teamwork, collaboration, and making sure that we priests are kept in line! They are also an incredibly fun staff to work with and those laughs do a lot to buoy us during stressful times. Thank you guys for everything you do!

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your patience and persistence during the past 5 or 6 weeks. I know that sometimes things have fallen through the cracks or not been as timely. It's not easy to welcome visiting priests or deal with messed up priest rotations. Thank you for your patience and for all the times you have stepped up to help us keep things going! It's good proof that a parish isn't just the work of one or two people. It really does take each of us acting like a family for the glory of God. Sometimes, that family dynamic shows itself in our patience and understanding. Sometimes it's by being willing to open ourselves up to new experiences so that we can have a deeper relationship with God. Sometimes it's being the welcoming arms and face for someone who is seeking Christ. Each of us has a role to play in the body of Christ (see 1st Corinthians 12). Let's pray for each other and pray for our parishes that we may always be family to each other!

In Christ,

Fr. Witt



Sacramental Information

Marriage Congratulations!

Nick & Conner (Muhlenkamp) Link
Married Saturday, May 24, 2025
(St. Anthony)

*May God always bless you &
may He bestow on you the gifts of a happy marriage.*

Sacrament of Matrimony

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony involves more than just "booking" a particular date for a wedding. Please keep in mind that church dates are limited. It is highly recommended to book the church when booking your reception hall. Also, since the marriage preparation process usually takes several months to complete, please contact the Family Office at least nine months in advance to start the marriage preparation process.

Wedding Banns

III John Linn & Paige Bihn

And the two shall become one.

Newly Baptized

Holy Trinity

Caroline Grace Edmonds
Child of James & Kathryn

Hezekiah Douglas Stolly
Child of Jacob & Emma

Carter Louis Homan
Child of Cody & Natalie

St. Paul

Sophia Rose Schoen
Child of Alex & Chloe

Travis Drew Bohman
Child of Andrew & Tracy

Sadie Denise Homan
Child of Will & Kendra

Clyde Anthony Homan
Child of Ross & Deanna

VIGIL OF TWO HEARTS

Schedule of Events

Friday, June 6

7 pm: Scriptural Rosary

7 - 8 pm: Confessions

8 pm: Holy Mass followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

8:30 pm - 12 midnight: Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament throughout the night with private and group prayer.

Saturday, June 7

12 - 8:40 am: Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

7:30 am: Morning Prayer (Lauds)

7:45 am: Scriptural Rosary

8:45 am: Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

9 am: Holy Mass

9:30 am: Confessions



Baptismal Sponsors

This is an honor, but so much more. Whether for Baptism or Confirmation, being a sponsor means that you are promising to assist the parents in raising this person in the Catholic Faith. In order to fulfill that responsibility, the sponsor needs to be a practicing Catholic. This means that prayer, scripture, the sacraments and especially Mass are important priorities in his/her life. This also means that a sponsor needs to be a fully initiated Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation, and, if married, was married in the Catholic Church.

Baptismal Class

Fort Recovery Classes are held on Tuesdays at 7 pm. The next class at Fort Recovery for 2025 is July 8, 2025. Please call 419-375-4153 to register. Coldwater Classes are held on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 7 pm. Please call 419-678-4802 to register. The Baptismal Class is required for all first-time parents.

Baptismal Schedule

1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday
12:30 pm - MHC	12:30 pm - St. Peter	12:30 pm - St. Paul	12:30 pm - St. Joseph
1:30 pm - Holy Trinity	1:30 pm - St. Mary	1:30 pm - Holy Trinity	1:30 pm - St. Anthony

The Precepts of the Church

Given to us by the Church, these are the minimum obligations every practicing Catholic is expected to follow.

1. *You shall attend Mass on Sundays & holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.*
2. *You shall confess your sins at least once a year.*
3. *You shall humbly receive your Creator in Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter Season.*
4. *You shall observe the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.*
5. *You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church.*
6. *You shall observe the Church's laws regarding marriage.*

First Holy COMMUNION



Congratulations 2025 First Communicants!

Holy Cross Family of Parishes

CONFESSION CANCELLATION — There will be no confessions at Mary Help of Christians on Saturday, June 7th during the 4:30 pm Mass.

40 HOURS OF ADORATION — 40 hours will start with Noon Mass at St. Anthony on Friday, June 20th and continue through Sunday, June 22nd @ 2:00 pm on Corpus Christi. Adoration will start after the Noon Mass. Sign up sheets are in the back of each of the 7 churches. One parishioner from each parish is asked to sign up in each time slot. Please note: Mary Help of Christians will not be having Noon Mass on Friday, June 20th because it will be at St. Anthony instead.

EMBER DAY REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN — Ember Day will be held on Friday, June 6, 2025, at the Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology. This is a retreat for high school men, aged 15-19. The day will include Mass with Archbishop-Emeritus Schnurr, sports, talks, and food. It's an opportunity for high school boys to meet the seminarians and learn more about vocation, priesthood, and fatherhood. Hosted by the Cincinnati seminarians and Fr. Michael Willig. Register here: <https://resources.catholicaoc.org/event/ember-day-june-6>.

MISSION LOTTERY WINNER — (5/14/25) Jack & Christy Diller, (5/21/25) Greg & Kristy Keller — Congratulations!

CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2025 - 2026 — Please see the Religious Education section of the bulletin for more information.

MEN'S GROUP — Meetings will be suspended over the summer, picking back up sometime in the fall of 2025. The restart date will be determined closer to that time.

VASES FROM FLOWERS FOR MARY DURING MAY — Please retrieve your vase from church if you brought flowers during the month of May to be displayed near the statue of Mary.

EXPECTANT MOTHER'S BLESSING — The blessing of expectant mothers will be after all the Masses the weekend of May 31/June 1.

WEEKLY FAMILY ADORATION — Tuesdays from 9:30 - 10:30 am at St. Joseph is an hour of adoration open to all but available as an opportunity for families with young children to come and spend time with our Lord without the need for total silence or finding childcare. You can attend for the whole hour or come and go as you need. To ensure there is always someone there during that hour, if you are interested in signing up for a 30 minute time slot, please contact Jamie Fortkamp at jamiefortkamp@outlook.com or (567) 644-2305.

PRIEST VISITS — Our Priests, as a group or individually, are always happy to come and visit you and your family. There is no expectation for dinner or food. They are happy just to get to know you and be a part of your family life. If interested in scheduling a home visit, please feel free to email them or call either family office anytime.

Holy Trinity VBS - Donation Drive



**Diaper Drive
for
Rustic Hope**

**Canned Goods
for
Holy Trinity
Food Pantry**

Donation boxes located at the entrances of Holy Trinity Church
May 27th - June 8th

Welcome New Members

Holy Trinity

Nicolas & Kathryn Bruggeman
along with their child Aiden

Jacob and Cortney Winner

Jordon and Carly Harlamert
along with their children
Lawrence and Jo

Brody Hoying

Thank you for the lighted
rosary donated to the
rectory at Holy Trinity by
the Bob Hogan Family!



Shirley Hogan with Father Barry



THANK YOU

Century Farm Awards

Apply with
Roger Hoying
rbhoying@hotmail.com
419-733-4543

*Applications for
Catholic Families celebrating
100 years on their farm
are available.*

*We will honor these families at the
annual Farm Mass.*

*The Farm Mass will be
August 7th, 7:00pm, in Anna, OH*



ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI
CATHOLIC SOCIAL
ACTION OFFICE

Applications are available in all of our parishes.

Join in praying the Rosary before our Masses within the Holy Cross Family of Parishes

(Feel free to cut this guide out & take it to Mass with you!)

How to Pray the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Pray the Apostles' Creed while holding the Crucifix.
3. On the first bead, pray an Our Father.
4. Pray one Hail Mary on each of the next three beads.
5. Pray the Glory Be followed by the Fatima Prayer.
6. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery then Pray the Our Father.
7. For each set of ten beads, Pray ten Hail Marys while meditating on the Mystery.
8. After finishing each decade, Pray the Glory Be followed by the Fatima Prayer.
9. After the five decades are completed, Pray the The Salve Regina followed by the Rosary Prayer and then the St. Michael Prayer.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who are in most need of thy mercy.

The Salve Regina

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Rosary Prayer

V. Let us pray.

R. O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Michael Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Parish Information



Holy Trinity

FUNERAL SERVERS

— If you are interested in serving Mass at funerals at Holy Trinity church, please call

419-678-4802 for more information. Thank You!

BRIARWOOD DRIVE — The social action committee will be collecting personal items for the residents at Briarwood the weekends of June 21st & 28th. Items needed: Puffs or Kleenex boxes (large or small), chapstick, body wash (men's unscented) & (women's scented), and/or body lotion (women's scented). NO bar soap. Please place items in the designated bins in the church entrances.

VBS DONATION DRIVE — VBS will be collecting diapers for Rustic Hope and canned goods for Holy Trinity Food Pantry at the start of VBS on May 27th through June 8th. Donation boxes will be located at the entrances of church. Please place your items in the marked boxes. Thank you for your generosity!

THANK YOU! — Thank you to our volunteers and families for making VBS 2025 a success for over 150 kids this year!

ROSARY LEADERS NEEDED — Please contact the Coldwater Office if you would be willing to volunteer as a Rosary Leader before any of the weekend Masses. Currently we are in need of leaders for the Sunday 10 am Mass.



Mary Help of Christians

SEWING GROUP

— The sewing group will be sewing on Monday, June 9 from 9:00 to 3:00 in the Undercroft of

Mary Help of Christians church. If anyone is interested in sewing with us or has any questions, please come enjoy the day or just a few hours. If there is a funeral luncheon on Monday we will not meet until July 14. If anyone has any concerns about the sewing group please call RuthEtta at 419-375-4064 or Eileen at 419-852-3534. Also, just to let you know we now have a supply of walker bags available at Kaup Pharmacy in Fort Recovery free of charge to anyone who might need one. The sewing group is able to provide this service free of charge because of the supplies, material, as well as the monetary donations made to us and the support that we get from our quilt raffles. May God bless each of you.

LOST & FOUND — There are quite a few missing items in the back of Church waiting to be claimed. All remaining items will be donated on June 1st.



St. Mary

LADIES SODALITY SENIOR CITIZENS GARAGE SALE

DONATIONS — A trailer for

donations will be located on the east side of Church on June 7, 8, & 9 (Saturday-Monday). You may also drop off donation items on site during select Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. See link for available dates and times. <https://mcco.net/garage-sales>. ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: No paint/stain/ chemicals, tires, piano/organ, mattresses/box springs, tube type TVs, large entertainment centers, comforters.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY — Please join us for the patriotic rosary every Tuesday at 7:30 pm at St. Mary Church.



St. Anthony

MEN'S SODALITY MEETING

— St. Anthony Men's Sodality

meeting is on Monday, June 2nd at

7:30 pm in the parish hall. All men of the parish are welcome. We hope to see you there!

SACRISTAN NEEDED — Please call the Coldwater Parish Office at (419) 678-4802 if you are interested in becoming a sacristan for St. Anthony Church.



St. Joseph

CLEANING

(June) **Michelle Stammen, Paige

Schulze, Barb Schoenherr,

Aimee Pottkotter, Annette Schmitt,

Jenny Acheson, Claire Barlage

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tues., Sept. 2nd - Thurs., Sept. 4th - Festival Set-Up

Friday, September 5th - St. Joe Cornhole Tournament

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St. Paul

LOST & FOUND

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remaining items will be donated on June 1st.

DIAPER DRIVE FOR ESSER FAMILY QUADS — St. Paul Church will be doing a diaper and donation drive for the Esser family quad girls during the month of June. Donations can be delivered to the back of St. Paul Church or monetary donations or gift cards can be placed in the collection marked "Esser Family Quads." Pampers diapers sizes 3 - 5, wipes, swim diapers, and Alimentum & Elecare formula are all much appreciated. THANK YOU for your donation as it is VERY GREATLY appreciated!!



St. Peter

LOST & FOUND

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remaining items will be donated on June 1st.

ST. PETER CHURCH FAMILY CARNIVAL — Sunday, June 29, 2025 from 2 - 5 pm located at the St. Peter School Hall. BBQ chicken dinners will be available for pick up from 4 - 5 pm (1/2 chicken, dinner roll, chips & apple sauce). Chicken dinners are pre-sale only at \$10 each. Tickets are available to print out on the Events/Activities page of holycrossfop.org. Deadline to order chicken dinner tickets is June 8th. For questions, contact Isaac Siegrist @ (419) 852-2710.

MEN INQUIRING ABOUT THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

— Any man who may be discerning a possible vocation to serve the Church as a Permanent Deacon should contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, to discuss the discernment process, prerequisites, and the formation cycle. Deacon Mark can be reached at 513-263-6641 or deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org.



Religious Education

Coldwater Religious Ed.

Contact: Sarah Klosterman

sklosterman.holycrossfop@gmail.com, 419-678-3328

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN — Registration for 2025-2026 CCD classes are now open! Deadline for registration is June 30th. To register, scan the QR code provided below and follow these steps:

1. Select your parish.
2. Click the Register Your Children button.
3. Choose In-Class or In-Home.
 - Holy Trinity: select either the In-Class or In-Home button.
 - St. Anthony and St. Mary: use the link at the top of the page if choosing In-Home
4. Fill out the form.



2025/2026 CONFIRMATION MASS — Coldwater Confirmation Mass for the 2025/2026 school year is Oct 19th, 2025, at 3 pm @ Holy Trinity with Archbishop Casey presiding over this Mass.

Fort Recovery Religious Ed.

Contact: Harlie Metzger

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CCD REGISTRATION — Registration for 2025-2026 CCD classes are now open! Deadline for registration is June 30th. To register, scan the QR code below and follow these steps:

1. Select your parish
2. Click the Register Your Children button
3. Fill out the form



Please note: Children in grades 1-12 must attend their home parish for Wednesday classes. Little Flowers, Blue Knights, and Our Quest are included in this registration form.

2025/2026 CONFIRMATION MASS — Sunday, February 22, 2026 @ 1:00 pm.

Saint of the Week - St. Charles Lwanga & his companions

"Master of Pages," reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being "those who pray." But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his "unreasonable demands." Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbagwa, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?



— Peter Scagnelli — Information obtained from diocesan.com

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Summer Reset

WE WILL BE CLEANING AND ORGANIZING CCD AND YOUTH SUPPLIES AND SPACES.

Father Yauss

June 9 - 9am - 4pm | 5-7 volunteers

(Pizza lunch will be provided)

June 10 - 1pm - 4pm | 2-4 volunteers

June 11 - 1pm - 4pm | 2-4 volunteers

St. Anthony School Hall

June 25 - 1pm - 4pm | 2-4 volunteers

St. Mary School Hall

July 16 - 1pm - 4pm | 2-4 volunteers



If interested in assisting please reach out to Sarah Klosterman sklosterman.holycrossfop@gmail.com



Baccalaureates

*Best Wishes in Your
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Congratulations to All of our High School Graduates from our 7 Parishes!



Youth Ministry

Fort Fiat Youth Group

Contact: Natalie Ashbaugh
nashbaugh.holycrossfop@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MEN'S GROUP — Wednesdays 7:30 pm at MHC, grades 7-12

REC NIGHT — Mondays 7:30 - 9 pm at MHC, grades 6-12

ATTENTION:

PERMISSION FORMS — Please fill out the 2025-2026 summer and school year permission form by using this link. Permission slips need to be filled out by June 2nd. https://www.cognitofirms.com/HolyCrossFamilyOfParishes/_20252026ColdwaterReligiousEducationInHomeLessons

Coldwater Youth Group

Contact: Maria Gruss
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UPCOMING EVENTS:

MONDAY, JUNE 2 — 11:30 am - 12:30 pm - High School Summer Lunch @ Fr. Yauss (grades 9th - 12th)

TUESDAY, JUNE 3 — 7 - 8 am - Christ & Coffee @ Rooster Joe (grades 7th - 12th)

Thank You!

To This Week's Youth Group Lunch Sponsor

Mariachis Mexican Restaurant

CW Summer Lunch



Scan to sign up

Mondays

11:30 - 12:30

Please sign up at least one week in advance to the date you wish to attend!

High School Only

FORT FIAT REC NIGHT

SLIP N KICK

Night

SNACKS | DRINKS | MUSIC

— MONDAY —
JUNE 23RD
@MHC 7:30-9:00 PM

FORT FIAT VS.
COLDWATER YOUTH GROUP

6TH - 12TH GRADE WELCOME

WEAR SWIMSUITS OR CLOTHES YOU ARE WILLING TO
GET WET AND A TOWEL FOR THE CAR RIDE HOME

COLDWATER MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS

We need your input!

Take a quick moment to fill out our Youth Group survey. Your feedback helps shape events for the 2025-2026 school year!

- Maria Gruss



Community Interests

2025 RETREAT CENTER GALA — Tue, Aug 26, 2025. Come and be a part of an extraordinary event with homemade food, delightful company, and endless entertainment! The doors will open promptly at 5:30 p.m., welcoming you to a fun-filled evening featuring tantalizing appetizers, refreshing drinks, a sumptuous dinner, and mouthwatering desserts. As the night unfolds, seize the chance to win an array of fabulous prizes through our exciting raffle of gift baskets and engaging Silent and Live auctions. Ends at 8:30 pm. Check out <https://event.gives/retreatcentergala25> for more information. Located at: 6731 OH-219, Celina, OH 45822.

RADIO ROSARY — Radio Rosary prayed on WCSM at 9:30 am every Sunday. The Radio Rosary is sponsored each week by local Catholic organizations and individuals.

THE CATHOLIC ADULT SINGLES CLUB — This is a Catholic club for adults 21 and older that has social events every weekend and a club meeting once a month. For more information please call (567) 510-8197.

HEALING MASSES — Healing Masses for 2025 will be on Sept. 9, Oct. 14, and Nov. 11. The Healing Masses will be held at the Montezuma Retreat Center Chapel at 7 pm.

CATHOLIC NURSE SOCIETY IN 2025 — We encourage all nurses to join us for fellowship, prayer and fun conversations that are uniquely about the joys, triumphs and hardships of being a nurse. Meetings are held at 11 am on the first Saturday of each month, second floor, at the Shrine of the Holy Relics in Maria Stein. We hope you will join us. Contact Janet Munday with any questions. (419) 954-1670 voice/text.

CREIGHTON PROVIDERS COURSE — Do you find yourself longing to uphold the sanctity of life in a more intentional way...to teach the gift of human sexuality through a scriptural lens? Do you want to help women, couples and families discover their capacity for life giving love?...Join our Ohio Valley Fertility Care Practitioner Education Program today! Join the mission of providing authentic women's healthcare! Click the QR code to find out more.



SPANISH MASS — Mass will be held every Sunday at 4 pm, Confessions at 3:30 pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 pm, and the Rosary at 3:15 pm all in Spanish at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Pre-Baptismal classes are the second Sunday of the month from 11 am - 2 pm held in the church basement. Baptisms are the fourth Sunday of the month starting in June during 4 pm Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe. For more information or anyone in need of these opportunities please register with: Dr. Maria Garcia at (937) 281-4525 or Jenny Martinez at ministeriohispano@stisidorefamilly.org.

MINISTRY TO SURVIVORS OF ABUSE (REPORTING) — The Archdiocese of Cincinnati regards child abuse in all its forms as gravely sinful and criminal. Anyone who knows of or suspects child abuse by a legitimate member of the clergy or hierarchy, employee, or volunteer of the archdiocese should first report the abuse to the appropriate secular legal authority and then to Ms. Teresa Maley, Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse of the Archdiocese, at 513.263.6623 or 1.800.686.2724 ext. 6623.

AL-ANON & AA MEETINGS — Al-Anon for family/friends of alcoholics, Thursdays, 7:30 - 8:30 pm at Spiritual Center (Montezuma Annex) & Fridays from 7:30 - 8:30 pm in Briarwood's Private Dining Room at 100 Don Desch Dr, Coldwater. AA Meetings on Fridays from 7:30 - 8:30 pm at the Fr. Yauss, Coldwater. Meetings are open, anonymous, & free.

FOOD PANTRIES — Holy Trinity Food Pantry is open Saturdays, from 9 - 11 am. Located at 830 W. Main St, Coldwater (Mercer Health West Campus). For information: Rob Fisher (419) 678-3538. The Food Pantry located at the Ft. Recovery Family Office is open by appointment Mon. - Fri. Call the office at 419-375-4153 to schedule a time. Anyone in the county in need is welcome to use the pantries.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 — The Archdiocese of Cincinnati has launched a web page with information for the Jubilee Year 2025. Visit <https://catholicaoc.org/jubilee-2025> to learn about the Church's celebration of an Ordinary Jubilee every 25 years, obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence, pilgrimage sites within the archdiocese, and a special pilgrimage to Italy in October 2025.

PREGNANCY CENTER — Choosing Life Pregnancy Center, located at 560 Touvelle Street in Celina, is open Monday-Friday from 11 am - 5 pm. The Everything Shoppe is open to the public. They accept donations of all sorts that is gently used or new, for example: baby-adult clothing, kitchenware, crafts, furniture, appliances, tools, etc. All of the proceeds from the shop go directly into the pregnancy center to help keep it up and running. The services they provide are free and for anyone with no age or income guidelines. They offer: Pregnancy tests with verification, 2D/4D ultrasounds, Parenting Classes online or in person, Adoption Planning, and Life skill classes. All of our clients can use their points they earn from parenting classes to purchase diapers, wipes, clothing, or any baby items.

Quo Vadis Night

First Session
Deacon Dan Kahlig-
Living the Faith in a
Secular World

Second Session-
Lectio Divina
Bring your Bibles



Sunday, June 1st. | 7:00 p.m. | @ Maria Stein Shrine

- Go to **FORMED.org**
- Click "sign up as a parishioner",
- find our parish, & enter zip code: 45828.

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May 12 - 18, 2025

Mary Help of Christians

Offertory.....\$5,463.00
 Catholic Relief.....\$ 5.00
 Flowers.....\$ 95.00
 Cemetery.....\$ 26.00
 Religious Ed.....\$ 20.00
 Allocated Loose.....\$

Holy Trinity

Offertory.....\$4,713.00
 Loose.....\$3,126.04
 Total.....\$7,839.04
 Candles.....\$ 357.00
 Youth Ministry.....\$1,606.00

St. Joseph

Offertory.....\$1,010.00
 Allocated Loose.....\$ 203.53

St. Anthony

Offertory.....\$ 655.00
 Loose.....\$ 338.00
 Total.....\$ 993.00
 Perm. Improvement.....\$ 50.00

St. Peter

Offertory.....\$2,870.00
 Catholic Relief.....\$ 80.00
 Flowers.....\$ 240.00
 Maintenance.....\$ 200.00
 Allocated Loose.....\$ 331.80

St. Mary

Offertory.....\$ 466.00
 Loose.....\$ 317.00
 Total.....\$ 783.00

St. Paul

Offertory.....\$3,516.00
 Flowers.....\$ 90.00
 Cemetery.....\$1,603.00
 Allocated Loose.....\$ 410.48



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