



*Whoever exalts himself
will be humbled,
& the one who humbles himself
will be exalted.*



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Family Offices

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



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

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www.facebook.com/holycrossfop



St. Anthony



St. Joseph



St. Mary



St. Paul



St. Peter

Sunday, October 26, 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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	Priest	Time	Church	Confession
Monday, October 27 <i>Weekday</i>	Thomas Schwieterman †	FBS	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Charlene Westgerdes †	FAW	6:45 pm	St. Peter	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, October 28 <i>Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles; Feast</i>	David & Eileen Siefring †	FBS	7:15 am	St. Mary	After Mass
	Dan Diller †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Joseph	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, October 29 <i>Weekday</i>	Melvin Wendel †	FAW	7:15 am (L/S)	MHC	After Mass
	Steve Dues †	FBS	Noon (L/S)	Holy Trinity	11:30 am - end
Thursday, October 30 <i>Weekday</i>	Jim & Mary Faller †	FBS	7:15 am	St. Paul	After Mass
	Virginia Schaefer †	FAW	6:45 pm	St. Anthony	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Friday, October 31 <i>Weekday</i>	Ernie Kuess †	FBS	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	L/D Les & Elaine Wenning Family †	FAW	Noon (L/S)	MHC	11:30 am - end
Saturday, November 1 <i>All Saints; Solemnity</i>	Bob & Bernie Muhlenkamp †	FJP	9:00 am	St. Joseph	After Mass
	Sudhoff and Youngpeter Families †	FBS	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	3:15 - 3:45 pm
	Robert Bettinger †	FAW	4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	3:45 - 4:15 pm
	L/D Clarence & Janet Langenkamp Family †	FJP	4:30 pm (L/S)	MHC	3:45 pm - end
Sunday, November 2 <i>The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)</i>	Poor Souls in Purgatory †	FJP/DDK	6:45 am	St. Joseph	N/A
	L/D Selhorst & Keller Families †	FBS	8:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	7:25 am - end
	L/D Arthur & Vita Weitzel †	FEM	9:00 am (L/S)	MHC	8:25 am - end
	Norma Wenning †	FAW	10:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	9:25 am - end
	L/D Anthony & Ida Homan Family †	FEM	11:00 am	St. Paul	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Sawyer Overman †	FJP	11:00 am	St. Peter	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Donna Rose †	FBS	Noon	St. Mary	11:25 - 11:45 am
	Members of the Holy Cross Family of Parishes	FAW/DRK	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
(Masses are also streamed to Youtube. For Holy Trinity search: Coldwater Cluster, then click on the logo and subscribe.
For Mary Help of Christians search: mhc-gg4zm, then click on the logo and subscribe.)

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

Tentatively Scheduled Celebrants listed above:

Fr. Alexander Witt (FAW); Fr. Ethan Moore (FEM);
Fr. Joseph Pasala (FJP); Fr. Barry Stechschulte (FBS);
Deacon Dan Kahlig (DDK); Deacon Roger Kaiser (DRK)

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

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, October 29, 7:15 am

Server: Joseph Bruns, Henry Bruns

Lector: Ted Romer

Friday, October 31, 12:00 pm

Servers: Xavier Bruns

Lector: Kathy Portz

Saturday, November 1, 4:30 pm

Servers: Anthony Roessner, Jameson Heitkamp,
Riley Heitkamp

Lector: Lisa Romer

EMHC: Linda Lennartz, Ted Romer

Sacristan: Ted Romer

Ushers: Floyd Bergman, Don Lennartz, Bobby Stump,
Matt Whitacre

Sunday, November 2, 9:00 am

Servers: Brodie Hart, Paisley Hart, Grant Pearson,
Emma Pearson

Lector: Chris Bihn

EMHC: Lois Vogel, Jane Weitzel

Sacristan: Lois Vogel

Ushers: Steve Vogel, Greg Schmitz, Randy Wendel,
Don Willmann

– St. Joseph –

Tuesday, October 28, 6:45 pm

Servers: Joseph Bruns, Henry Bruns

Lector: Tim Hart

Sacristan: Matt Hess

Saturday, November 1, 9:00 am

Servers: Tyler Dues, Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby

Lector: Paige Schulze

Sunday, November 2, 6:45 am

Servers: Andy Pottkotter, James Pottkotter, Francis Pottkotter,
Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby, Matt Grigsby, Joseph Bruns,
Henry Bruns, Eric Lamm, Kyle Fullenkamp, Dillan Schulze

Lector: Karen Bertke

EMHC: Deacon Dan Kahlig

Sacristan: Shel Sutter

Ushers: Jerry Sutter, Mel Bertke

– St. Paul –

Thursday, October 30, 7:15 am

Server: Maddie Weigel

Sunday, November 2, 11:00 am

Servers: Olivia Knapke, Reece LeFevre, Camden LeFevre,
Vance Tobe

Lector: Joe Knapke

EMHC: Deacon Roger Kaiser, Joe Knapke

Ushers: Ross Homan, Dave Keller

Rosary: Jerry & Bec Bihn

– St. Peter –

Monday, October 27, 6:45 pm

Server: Theo Schmitz

Lector: Kim Schmitz

Sunday, November 2, 11:00 am

Servers: Reese Diller, Clete Timmerman, Amber Timmerman,
Chris Timmerman, Levi Sutter, Kinley Schoenlein

Lector: Ryan Suttter

EMHC: Karen Timmerman

Sacristan: Brenda Kahlig

Ushers: Jim Knapke, Mike Roessner

– Holy Trinity –

Monday, October 27, 7:15 am

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby, Lincoln Homan

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Wednesday, October 29, 12:00 pm

Servers: Leo Grigsby, Leo Huelskamp

Lector: Raquel Kaiser

Friday, October 31, 7:15 am

Servers: Mason Evers, Miles Bruns

Lector: Rita Riethman

Saturday, November 1, 4:30 pm

Servers: David Dues, Emma Siefing, Leo Huelskamp

Lector: Tara Berkenstock

EMHC: Denny Riethman, Brenda Schwieterman,
Dave Bertke

Sunday, November 2, 8:00 am

Servers: Oliver Link, Jude Link, Dillan Wenning,
Lincoln Homan

Lector: Paul Howell

EMHC: Adam Alig, Ralph Alig

Sunday, November 2, 10:00 am

Servers: Miles Bruns, Owen May, Emmit May, Kelly May

Lector: Terry Liette

EMHC: Luke Klosterman, Bob Rose, Cindy Schmidt

Sunday, November 2, 6:00 pm

Servers: Breann Mathewson, Ryan Mathewson

Lector: Dee Fullenkamp

EMHC: Brenda Kaiser, Deacon Roger Kaiser

– St. Anthony –

Thursday, October 30, 6:45 pm

Server: Wesley Geier

Lector: Paul Welling

Sacristan: Volunteer Needed

Saturday, November 1, 4:00 pm

Servers: Mason Alig, Lilly Alig, Logan Alig, Wesley Geier

Lector: Cindy Homan

EMHC: Ellen Sudhoff

Sacristan: Cindy Muhlenkamp

Ushers: Jeff Sudhoff, Patrick Forshoefel

Rosary: Teri Minnich

– St. Mary –

Tuesday, October 28, 7:15 am

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby

Lector: Viki Dues

Sunday, November 2, 12:00 pm

Servers: Matthew Uhlenhake,
Garrett Uhlenhake, Cole Uhlenhake,
Lana Kaiser

Lector: Amanda Schoenherr

EMHC: Tracy Liette

Ushers: Ken Siefing, Craig Hartings





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Sacramental Information

Wedding Banns

- I Shane Bills & Katelyn Will
- I Owen Schoen & Rachel Acheson

And the two shall become one.

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.

Marriage Congratulations!

Tyler & Lauren (Fullenkamp) Gower
Married Saturday, October 11, 2025
(St. Joseph)

Mark & Megan (Bergman) Hein
Married Saturday, October 11, 2025
(St. Peter)

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

In Loving Memory...

Verla Marie Roessner
April 6, 1932 - October 11, 2025
(St. Peter)

*I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord whoever believes
in me will never die.*
- John 11:26

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 is on January 06, 2026. 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

Newly Baptized

Mary Help of Christians

Rosaline Grace Rengers
Child of Aaron & Katelyn

St. Mary

Emma Rose Hamberg
Child of Anthony & Katelyn

St. Peter

Cy Henry Gaerke
Child of Michael & Destinee

Riley Ann Rose
Child of Brandon & Heather

Holy Cross Family of Parishes

UPCOMING MEMORIAL MASSES — The Memorial Mass remembers and prays for the individuals from our parishes who have passed away this past year. Mass for those from Holy Trinity, St. Anthony, and St. Mary Parishes will be on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 6:45 pm at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Mass for those from Mary Help of Christians, St. Joseph, St. Paul and St. Peter will be on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 6:45 pm at Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church. It will begin with a candle lighting service at 6:45 pm, followed immediately with Mass. The evening will conclude with a social and refreshments in the respective church's basement following Mass. An invitation has been sent to a contact person for each individual's family, but anyone is welcome to attend.

ADVERTISING SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS — Thank you to everyone who submits information in order to notify and advertise events and activities within our Family of Parishes. To beneficially help things run smoother for all involved, the following requirements have been established for all events/activities that are being advertised:

Bulletin Submissions:

At minimum, a text version of your information in paragraph format is required to be submitted via email. Image/graphic files are not required, but are allowed and will be used at the discretion of the Director of Communications based on the following.

1. All image/graphic files that are submitted need to be in both a pdf format and either a jpg or png format.
2. Your image/graphic must be no more than 3.75"(width) x 5"(height) and readable at this size.
3. If the image/graphic is not readable at designated size, not in the correct format, or if space does not allow for the image/graphic within the bulletin then the text version will be used.

Social Media Submissions:

All image/graphic files that are submitted need to be in either a jpg or png format.

Note: Image/graphic files may be utilized on social media even if it is not printed in the bulletin.

All Submissions:

Usage of all submissions will be at the discretion of the Director of Communications in line with the direction of the Pastor.

EXPECTANT MOTHER'S BLESSING — The blessing of expectant mothers will be after all the Masses the weekend of November 1st/2nd.

MASS CANCELLATIONS — The regularly scheduled Mass at St. Peter on Monday, November 3rd and St. Anthony on Thursday, November 6th are canceled due to the Memorial Masses being held those evenings.

CONFESSION CANCELLATION — There will be no confessions during the 4:30 pm Mass at Mary Help of Christians on Saturday, November 1st.

SAVE THE DATE — Fr. Witt will be leading a Marian Pilgrimage through France in late Aug. or early Sept. of 2026. More information to come in the near future.

SAVE THE DATE — Hope of the Poor Mission Trip with Holy Cross Family of Parishes is scheduled for June 4 - 9, 2027 in Mexico City. Fr. Witt will be the Chaplain. Cost will be \$850 plus airfare. Please fill out our interest form. *Participants under 18 years old need to have a parent/guardian accompany them on the trip.



HELP NEEDED — Looking for parishioners interested in helping with the Liturgy of the Word Service with Communion at Briarwood. The service takes place on Sunday mornings at 10 am in the large gathering room. It would only involve five to six Sundays a year with the service lasting only 20 minutes. This is a very fulfilling ministry, and the residents at Briarwood are so grateful. If interested, please contact either of the parish offices, or Nan List (419) 305-6914 or Ann VanDenBosch (419) 852-2692

All Saints' Day November 1, 2025

Litany of the Saints

Use the QR code provided or go to <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/litany-of-the-saints-250> to find the Litany of the Saints prayer.



Pray this prayer for
the intercession of the Saints.

The regularly scheduled Saturday 9 am Mass at St. Joseph will be available in honor of All Saints Day.
(Note: This is not a holy day of obligation this year.)

Welcome New Members

Holy Trinity

Will and Shelby Broering

Evan and Paige Dysert

BULLETIN SUBMISSION NOTICE: Submissions must be received by 8:00 am, 10 days prior to the Sunday publication date unless otherwise noted. Please submit info to bulletin.holycrossfop@gmail.com.

All Souls' Day

The Mass @ St. Joseph on Sun., Nov. 2nd will be outdoors and held at 6:45 am instead of the usual 7am. Please bring lawn chairs.

Note: All other Masses will be held at their regularly scheduled times on Sun., Nov. 2nd.

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 CROSS FAMILY OF PARISHES OPEN ONLINE STORE — Products can be purchased at https://designsemb.com/holy_cross/shop/home or use the QR Code provided. Please contact either Holy Cross Family Parish Office if you are in need of assistance. *Show your faith and support our family of parishes!*



Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Prayers

- List of Traditional Prayers
- Set Prayer Reminders
- Submit Prayer Requests to the parish

Learn more or download our parish app at myparishapp.com

*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

Follow the instructions after downloading the App. Note: To find our parish family allow location services through the App or type in either of our zip codes: 45828 or 45846



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HOLY TRINITY

Mondays: 6:30-8:30 pm

Jan. 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, & 23

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:30 pm

Jan. 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24

Combined retreat at Holy Trinity on 2/21/2026



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The RescueProject registration is now available on our website at <https://www.holycrossfop.org/events-activities>. There is no cost. Pre-registration allows us to plan for food.



ADORERS NEEDED — Weekly adoration is held throughout our family of parishes. Currently we are in need of adorers from Noon - 1 pm on Thursdays at St. Paul.

WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP — Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month from 7:30 - 9 pm in the Grotto's St. Isidore room. Meetings are led by Fr. Ethan Moore. We are focusing on "Women in the Word" covering heroic women of the bible. The group is open to all adult women of the Holy Cross Family of Parishes and community.

SERVANTS OF CHRIST — This is a Holy Cross Family of Parishes mens group that meets every first and third Friday of every month at 4:30 am in the Grotto. Men of all ages are welcome to attend any or all meetings. Contact David Bettinger @ 419-852-2582 with any questions.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY — Meetings will be held every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30 pm at the shelter house at 4171 Burrville Rd., Coldwater, Ohio. The book "Home" will continue to be discussed. Have week 6 read for the next meeting.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Meetings are around the fire pit at 4171 Burrville Rd, Coldwater, Ohio from 7:30 - 8:30 pm every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. BYOB.

Save the Date for both Welcome Retreats

Welcome.
There is **More to Life**

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— *Women's Retreat for women (21+)* —

You are invited to step away from the busyness of life and take time for you! Join other women from our parish family for an overnight retreat filled with prayer, fellowship, and renewal in God's presence. This overnight retreat is a chance to be still, be refreshed, and to grow in faith with your sisters in Christ.



Location: Holy Trinity Grotto

Dates: February 7-8th, 2026

Cost: FREE (& w/ meals provided)!

Registration: Opens January 3rd

Welcome.
There is **More to Life**

CRHP 2.0



Men's **Welcome** Retreat:
March 7-8, 2026

Registration OPENS January 3rd!

25 spots available



SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 9

REGISTRATION OPENS!



HEARTS ON FIRE CAMPING WITH CHRIST

Join us Memorial Day Weekend, **May 22–24, 2026**, for a faith-filled summer retreat as we explore the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and celebrate Pentecost together!



SPACE IS LIMITED!

REGISTER HERE!

OPENS UP AT 12:00PM

MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND

 **4171 Burrville Rd Coldwater, Ohio**

 **Hearts on Fire: Camping with Christ**



Parish Information



Holy Trinity

PAINTING IN CHURCH

— The painting that was supposed to take place in the church has been delayed due

to the painting company finishing up a different project. More information to follow.

ROSARY — Rosary will be held in church on Mon., Oct. 27th @ 6 pm (led by St. Anne's Rosary Sodality); Tues., Oct. 28th @ 7 pm (led by Coldwater K of C), and Wed., Oct. 29th @ 7:30 pm (led by Coldwater Squires).

HOLY TRINITY CHOIR — Join our choirs: Mixed Choir - Thursdays from 7-8:15 pm for 10 am Sunday Mass; Cantors - Saturday Mass at 4:30 pm and Sunday Mass at 8:00 am; Children's Choir - Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:15 pm (starts Oct. 29th); and Resurrection Choir - Gather at 9:45 am day of funeral (funerals typically start at 10:30 am). Questions contact: Ron Johnson at rjohnson.holycrossfop@gmail.com.



Mary Help of Christians

BLOOD DRIVE

— Volunteers are needed to help with the blood drive on Mon., Oct. 27th at Mary Help of

Christians Undercroft. First shift will be 11:45 am - 3 pm, and second shift from 3 - 6:15 pm. Also, help is needed to set up at 10:45 am, tear down at 6:30 pm, or volunteers to make cookies. Please call or text Megan Wendel at (419) 852-5066.

LECTORS — The 2026 lector workbooks are in each parish sacristy labeled with your name. Please pick up at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

PARISH COUNCIL — Senior members Tim Hart and Hannah Bihn are nearing the end of their 3 year term of service to the Mary Help of Christians parish council. If there is any interest in participating in parish council, or nominating someone for parish council, please submit your nomination to the parish office or contact Hannah or Tim at the numbers listed in the back of the bulletin. Thank you.

FLOATING ROSARY — 1st - 6th grade parents, siblings, grandparents, and all community members are welcome as we honor Our Heavenly Mother and Her Most Holy Rosary with a Floating Rosary on Sunday, October 26th, 2025 at 7 pm on the soccer fields (just north of Mary Help of Christians Church). Each child will attach an intention to send up to Our Blessed Mother for Her Intercession. Please join us as we get excited to pray the Rosary! If interested in volunteering to help make the Floating Rosary the day of, please reach out to Sarah Kahlig @ 419-234-3152.



St. Anthony

GATHERING FOR FELLOWSHIP

— Every 2nd Thursday of the month, at 8:00 am, you are invited to join St. Anthony

parishioners for 30 minutes of prayer in the church. Then join at the Pub for coffee and some good conversation. Everyone is invited! You are welcome to join in at the church and pub or either of the two. If you have any questions or opinions please call (419) 852-8741. Looking forward to seeing everyone!



St. Mary

OFFERTORY

NOTICE — Anyone wishing to sign up for offertory can sign up in the back of church.

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

LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED — The Ladies Sodality will have a locked box in the back of church for monetary donations from November 9th - 30th. Please consider donating to help make the Christmas season brighter for these families.

MEN'S SODALITY MEETING — There will be a meeting on October 26th following noon Mass in the school hall.



St. Joseph

LECTORS

— The 2026 lector workbooks are in each parish sacristy labeled with your name. Please pick up at your

earliest convenience. Thank you.

CLEANING — (November) **Jenni Jones, Nicole Pottkotter, Carrie Lamm, Lindsey Lamm, Amy Steinbrunner, Sara Leuthold



St. Paul

FALL RAFFLE DONATIONS

— Anyone wishing to donate an item(s) for our fall raffle please contact a Ladies

Sodality officer. Chrissy Hart (419) 852-7743, Kathy Gonzalez, Carissa Will, Theresa Siefring, Amanda Brackman. Thank You!!

LADIES SODALITY SAVE THE DATE — November 9th, CYO brunch and Raffle.

LECTORS — The 2026 lector workbooks are in each parish sacristy labeled with your name. Please pick up at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

ROSARY — Please join the 6th graders as they lead the Rosary every Wednesday night in the church during the month of October. We will start at 7 pm.

SACRISTY CHAIRS AVAILABLE — The four chairs in the sacristy have been replaced for safety. If anyone has interest or attachment to the four wicker topped chairs (damaged) that were donated many years ago please reach out to the parish office or St. Paul Parish Council by November 15, 2025. It is noted on the bottom of a chair that there was a Stammen who recaned them in the past.



St. Peter

LECTORS

— The 2026 lector workbooks are in each parish sacristy labeled with your name. Please pick up at your earliest

convenience. Thank you.

Religious Education

Coldwater Religious Ed.

Contact: Sarah Klosterman

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

ATTENTION:

BUILDING MONITORS NEEDED — We are in need of 4-5 building monitors at each of our parishes. You will be assigned to a specific week of the month and will help ensure the safety of our students, especially at drop off and pick up. Please reach out to Sarah Klosterman if interested!

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED — Substitutes are also needed to help ensure things run smoothly on Wednesday nights. If you are interested you would be given a lesson to cover on the nights you sub and can specify which parish and age range you would prefer before you would be added to the contact list. Please reach out to Sarah Klosterman if interested!

HOLY TRINITY CONFESSIONS — Nov. 12th & 19th

NO CLASS — Nov. 26th - Thanksgiving

ST. MARY & ST. ANTHONY CONFESSIONS — Dec. 3rd

Fort Recovery Religious Ed.

Contact: Harlie Metzger

hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com, 419-375-4153

ATTENTION:

CLASSROOM AIDE — St. Peter is looking for another adult/ high school student to help out in a classroom each week from 6:00 - 7:15 pm! This would involve assisting with reading, writing and crafts. This would not involve lesson planning or teaching. Can't commit to helping every week? Any help is appreciated! Please contact Harlie to volunteer or for more information.

PRAYER PARTNERS — All are welcome to choose a Confirmation candidate and become their Prayer Partner. Cards are in the back of MHC, St. Peter, and St. Paul to take home with you. Pray for them often as they go through their Confirmation preparation. You are welcome to send them things such as a birthday card or small gift, but that is not required!

SUNDAY SCHOOL — Classes are held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



The Pharisee stood and began praying this in regard to himself:
“God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, crooked, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.” Lk 18:11

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Saint of the Week - Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Saint Jude, apostle and . . . Hollywood success story? Indeed! Beyond Simon's being a “Zealot” for Israel's liberation and Jude's question about Jesus revealing himself (John 14:22), no historic facts are known about either saint. But Saint Jude's well-known patronage of “lost causes” and “hopeless cases” is largely due to a desperate vow made just before World War II by a struggling entertainer, the son of Arab-American immigrants, Danny Thomas. Unemployed, his wife about to give birth, Danny, attending Mass, impulsively donated his last \$7.00 to the collection, promising: “Saint Jude, if you help me find my way in life, I will build a shrine in your honor!” Older Americans remember well Danny's long, successful movie and television career. Grateful parents worldwide know the miracles that have taken place for fifty years at his Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, where needy children are cared for regardless of race, religion, or financial resources, and monumental advances continue in healing and preventing pediatric cancers and catastrophic childhood diseases. A living, life-giving partnership is this “Communion of Saints”: Simon, Jude, Danny Thomas—us! —Peter Scagnelli



- Information obtained from diocesan.com

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.



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Youth Ministry

Coldwater Youth Group

Contact: Maria Gruss
mgruss.holycrossfop@gmail.com, 419-678-3328

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 — 7:15 - 8:45 pm | Awaken Night @ Fr. Yauss Basement (Ages 12+) "Awaken to the Real Presence: The Eucharist is Alive"

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27 — 11:18 - 11:45 am | High School Men's & Ladies Lunch @ The Fr. Yauss Basement (grades 9th - 12th)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28 — 7 - 8 am | Christ & Coffee @ Rooster Joe (grades 7th - 12th)

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 — 7:45 - 8:45 pm | Fishers of Fun Rec Night @ The Fr. Yauss Basement (Ages 12+)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8 — 5:30 - 8 pm | Fall Festival @ MHC Undercroft (grades 6th - 12th)

Fort Fiat Youth Group

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

TO THE HEIGHTS — Tuesdays 3:30-4:30 at MHC (6th - 8th grade)

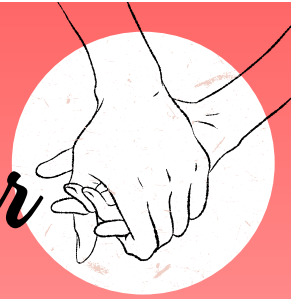
LADIES YOUTH GROUP — Tuesdays 7:15-8 am at MHC Youth Group Room (9th - 12th grade)

MEN'S YOUTH GROUP — Wednesdays 9-10 pm at MHC Undercroft (7th - 12th grade)

NOVEMBER 7TH — (6th - 12th) Breakfast Club on November 7th will include a priest Q&A. If you would like to submit questions, please use the link to access the google form. <https://forms.gle/rBgaXTUy3iVGSQLeA>



Socks & Underwear Drive



Coldwater Youth Ministry is teaming up with Our Home Family Resource Center to collect Socks & Underwear for children in need this upcoming Christmas Season!

Please consider joining our parishes' youth in donating! Boys and Girls sizes 4 through adult small are needed! Collection boxes are located at the entrances of the Coldwater parishes or you may drop donations off at the parish office.

**PLEASE TURN IN ALL DONATIONS BY
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH**

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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

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2025-26 Breakfast Club Schedule



7:15-8 am Donuts & Drinks Provided

November 7th
November 21st
December 5th
December 19th
January 16th
January 30th

February 6th
February 20th
March 6th
March 20th
April 10th
April 24th
May 8th

Coldwater Youth Ministry AWAKEN NIGHT

Encounter His Presence. Awaken Your Soul



Talk - Adoration - Social - Snacks

Sun. Oct. 26th
7:15 - 8:45 pm

Fr. Yauss Center (Ages 12+)

Topic: "Awaken to the Real Presence: The Eucharist is Alive"





FORT RECOVERY & COLDWATER YOUTH GROUP

Fall
FESTIVAL

5:30-8:00 @ MHC UNDERCROFT

NOVEMBER 8TH

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APPLES, & CARAMEL APPLE BAR

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 6TH



Community Interests

GIVING THANKS — A free community Thanksgiving Day meal, will be held at Coldwater American Legion on Thurs., Nov. 27, serving from 11 - 1:30. Dine-in or carry-outs are available. There is no charge, but donations are accepted to defray the cost of the meal. Canned goods, dry goods, and monetary donations will also be accepted for the Holy Trinity Food Pantry. Delivery for home bound will also be available. Call Marilyn Kahlig, 419-852-0428. Anyone willing to make desserts for Giving Thanks or anyone willing to volunteer at Giving Thanks, please call Marilyn Kahlig, 419-852-0428.

VOCATION NIGHT AT MOUNT ST. MARY'S SEMINARY & SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY — Wednesday, October 29, 2025. Single men aged 18-35 are invited to come to a Vocation Night at the seminary. The evening includes Mass, dinner, talks, a tour, and a social with the seminarians. Doors open at 4:45 pm and the evening ends at 8:30 pm. Attendees should register at <https://catholicaoc.org/vocation-night>.

"COME AND SEE" LIVE-IN WEEKEND AT THE JOSEPHINUM COLLEGE SEMINARY — Nov. 6 - 9, young men (high school and college students) interested in learning more about college seminary and the priesthood in general are invited to a live-in weekend at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus. There is no cost for the registrant. Those interested should contact Fr. Michael Willig for registration information: vocations@catholicaoc.org.

SIPPING WITH THE SAINTS — On Sunday, November 2nd, the Maria Stein Shrine will host "Sipping with the Saints" at Bella's in Celina. This special event will include a 4-course dinner and drinks that pertain to the life of a saint. Saints that will be discussed are Sts. Carlo Acutis, John Henry Newman, Philip Neri, and Mary of the Rock (Maria Stein). To learn about this fun and educational event, check out mariasteinshrine.org or visit the Shrine's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/mariasteinshrine

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AT THE MARIA STEIN SHRINE — enjoy door prizes, Christmas raffle, and 20% off storewide (exclusions apply). The Christmas Open House runs from Thursday, November 6th – Sunday, November 9th during normal business hours. Thursday 9:30 am – 6 pm. Friday and Saturday 9:30 am – 4 pm. Sunday Noon – 4 pm.

MEN CONSIDERING THE DIACONATE — Men who are inquiring about the vocation of Deacon and their wives are invited to attend a Deacon Information Evening hosted by the Office of the Diaconate on Tuesday, October 28th at St. Michael Parish, Fort Loramie. Meetings will begin at 7 pm and end by 8:30 pm. Please RSVP to Deacon Mark Machuga, Director, at (513) 263-6641 or deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org to reserve your spot.

CATHOLIC NURSE SOCIETY — 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.

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.

DISCERNMENT DAY WITH THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ST. CECILIA — The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia will host a discernment retreat day on Saturday, December 6th (10 am - 4:30 pm). Open to single Catholic women ages 17 - 30, the event includes Mass, prayer with the sisters, Adoration, spiritual talks, and lunch at St. Gertrude Catholic Church. For more information or to RSVP, please email vocation@op-tn.org. Come spend time with the Lord, and get a glimpse of the beauty of religious life!

HEALING MASSES — The last Healing Mass for 2025 will be on Nov. 11th. The Healing Mass will be held at the Montezuma Retreat Center Chapel at 7 pm.

RETROUVAILLE — HOPE for couples going through difficult times in their marriages. Retrouvaille is a program of healing and renewal consisting of one weekend and six follow-up sessions over the course of two months. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 9-11, 2026, call 513-486-6222 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org

FULL OF GRACE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE — "Understanding our Wounds and Letting God Heal Them", Sat., Nov. 8, 8 - 1:30 pm at St. Francis Church, Cranberry, OH w/ Angie Soules. Breakfast, Adoration, Confession, Mass, & lunch. \$30 before Oct. 25, \$35 after. HS Juniors+ are invited. Register using QR code or send name & phone number w/check payable to Grace Muhlenkamp, 5059 Kremer-Hoying Rd., St. Henry. Info 937-552-5539.



Knights of Columbus 5K Run/ Walk for Vocations **Saturday Nov. 8, 2025** **St. Charles Center**

**Race Day Registration &
Preregistration Pickup at 8:45 am**

Walk/Run begins at 10:00 am

Age Groups: 10 & under to 70 & Over

Preregistration until November 7th

Adults: \$15.00 • 18 & Under: \$10.00

Race Day Registration

Adults: \$20.00 • 18 & Under: \$15.00

Online Registration

[https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Celina/
KofC5kRunWalkforVocations](https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Celina/KofC5kRunWalkforVocations)

Archbishop Casey will be attending.

Pumpkin pies awarded to age group winners and top three male and female overall. Water, Fruit and donuts will be provided after the 5K.



KNIGHTS LUCKY CASH GIVEAWAY — The Knights of St. John is selling tickets for their 2026 monthly raffle. Proceeds will go towards the improvements, maintenance, and repairs of the Knights of St. John Hall. Tickets are \$20 (monthly giveaways of \$250, \$100, and \$50) and can be purchased from any Knights member at Chicken Frys (11/22) and Knights monthly breakfasts (11/16). For questions, please contact Mike Bruns (419) 852-2467 or Josh Keller (419) 763-9375.

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.

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@stisidorefamily.org.

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.

DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION — Have you or someone you know suffered from the loss of a child to abortion? We invite any woman who has experienced this loss to join us for a one-day retreat in the Cincinnati area on Saturday, November 15th. This event offers women a safe and confidential space to share their experience, reflect on their past, and offer their future to Christ who makes all things new. A trained priest, counselor, and post abortive volunteer will be present to accompany participants along the journey of healing. Exact location and event details will be shared after completing the registration process. You can register for this retreat by emailing ProjectRachel@catholicaoc.org, calling (513) 784-0531, or by going to ProjectRachelOhio.org. All communications are kept in strict confidentiality.

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.



"RELIGION AND THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL EXPERIMENT": LECTURE BY RICHARD GARNETT, J.D., UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME — November 12, 2025, 7:30 pm at Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology, Bartlett Center (6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230). Free and open to the public. Protecting religious freedom is critical for democratic order and the constitutional rule of law. It is essential that the principles of religious freedom inherent in the First Amendment be respected and defended for a fair, free, and civil society. In his lecture, Professor Garnett will outline the history of religious liberty in America and discuss some recent and upcoming religious-freedom cases before the United States Supreme Court.

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CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY RETREATS — These retreats offer hope and healing for individuals and family members impacted by a variety of addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Retreat participants are given various opportunities to encounter the Lord and deepen their recovery through various talks, personal testimonies, meetings, prayer & reflection time, engaging the sacraments, & fellowship with others seeking recovery rooted in Catholic spirituality. Info: <https://catholicinrecovery.com/events>.

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