

Hope

*V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
Hail Mary, full of grace.*



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

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Website:

www.holycrossfop.org

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www.facebook.com/holycrossfop



St. Anthony



St. Joseph



St. Mary



St. Paul



St. Peter

Sunday, November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent

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, December 1 <i>Advent Weekday</i>	L/D Arnold & Lillian Homan Family †	FBS	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Sally Siegrist †	FAW	6:45 pm	St. Peter	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, December 2 <i>Advent Weekday</i>	Kathy Spoltman †	FEM	7:15 am	St. Mary	After Mass
	Cy Brunswick †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Joseph	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, December 3 <i>Saint Francis Xavier, Priest; Memorial</i>	L/D Gerald & Joan Huber Family †	FEM	7:15 am (L/S)	MHC	After Mass
	Lewis & Elieen Welsch Family †	FJP	Noon (L/S)	Holy Trinity	11:30 am - end
Thursday, December 4 <i>Advent Weekday; Saint John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church; opt. mem.</i>	Doris Muhlenkamp †	FEM	7:15 am	St. Paul	After Mass
	L/D Lillian Gaerke Homan Families †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Anthony	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Friday, December 5 <i>Advent Weekday</i>	Elmer, Mildred, & Sharon Siefring †	FEM	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Thomas A. Wendel †	FJP	Noon (L/S)	MHC	11:30 am - end
Saturday, December 6 <i>Advent Weekday; Saint Nicholas, Bishop; opt. mem.</i>	Kacey Renee Rindler †	FAW	9:00 am	St. Joseph	After Mass
	L/D Roman & Clara Knapke Family †	FBS	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	3:15 - 3:45 pm
	Tom Hedrick †	FAW	4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	3:45 - 4:15 pm
	L/D Ed & Mary Agnes Grube Family †	FEM	4:30 pm (L/S)	MHC	3:45 pm - end
Sunday, December 7 <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	L/D Tom † & Eileen Litmer Family	FEM	7:00 am	St. Joseph	N/A
	Paul C. Wenning †	FBS	8:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	7:25 am - end
	L/D Virgil Krieg Family †	FJP/DDK	9:00 am (L/S)	MHC	8:25 am - end
	Helen Homan †	FAW/DRK	10:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	9:25 am - end
	Members of Holy Cross Family of Parishes	FJP	11:00 am	St. Paul	10:25 - 10:45 am
	L/D Dale & Marilyn Bruns Family †	FEM	11:00 am	St. Peter	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Jason Geire †	FBS	Noon	St. Mary	11:25 - 11:45 am
	Bob Hogan †	FAW	6:00 pm	Holy Trinity	5:15 - 5:45 pm

MASSES 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, December 3, 7:15 am

Server: Chase Fiely

Lector: Les Wenning

Friday, December 5, 12:00 pm

Servers: Joseph Bruns, Henry Bruns

Lector: Kathy Portz

Saturday, December 6, 4:30 pm

Servers: Xavier Bruns, Rachel Fortkamp, Joseph Fortkamp

Lector: Kathy Portz

EMHC: Kathy Portz, Ruth Beyke

Sacristan: Kathy Portz

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

Sunday, December 7, 9:00 am

Servers: Josh Evers, Tony Evers, Kevin Dues, Jackson Barga

Lector: Carol Jutte

EMHC: Deacon Dan Kahlig, Gail Dues

Sacristan: Karalee Jutte

Ushers: Doug Schmitz, Greg Schmitz, Gary J. Wendel, Jeff Wendel

– St. Joseph –

Tuesday, December 2, 6:45 pm

Servers: Joseph Bruns, Henry Bruns

Lector: Mary Gaerke

Sacristan: Norma Pottkotter

Saturday, December 6, 9:00 am

Servers: Logan Gaerke, Gavin Gaerke

Lector: Mary Gaerke

Sunday, December 7, 7:00 am

Servers: Joseph Bruns, Henry Bruns, James Pottkotter, Francis Pottkotter

Lector: Aimee Pottkotter

EMHC: Aimee Pottkotter

Sacristan: Kim Pottkotter

Ushers: Grant Pottkotter, Steve Post

– St. Paul –

Thursday, December 4, 7:15 am

Servers: Korbin Wuebker, Hayden Wuebker

Sunday, December 7, 11:00 am

Servers: Brady Evers, Hope Evers, Ty Evers, Mya Will

Lector: Jackie Evers

EMHC: Jackie Evers, Marilyn Fortkamp

Ushers: Roger Fortkamp, Kevin Wuebker

Rosary: Harry & Barb Schoen

– St. Peter –

Monday, December 1, 6:45 pm

Servers: Hoyt Schmitz

Lector: Tim Hart

Sunday, December 7, 11:00 am

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

Lector: Jack Gaerke

EMHC: Jack Gaerke

Sacristan: Marilyn Pottkotter

Ushers: Jake Gaerke, Derek Gaerke

– Holy Trinity –

Monday, December 1, 7:15 am

Servers: Carter Heitkamp, Owen Heitkamp, Gavin Heitkamp

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Wednesday, December 3, 12:00 pm

Servers: James Pottkotter, Francis Pottkotter

Lector: Lauren Baucher

Friday, December 5, 7:15 am

Servers: Audrey Alig, Abby Alig, A.J. Alig

Lector: Rita Riethman

Saturday, December 6, 4:30 pm

Servers: Lucas Broering, Emma Siefring, Leo Huelskamp

Lector: Lauren Baucher

EMHC: Denny Riethman, Michelle Wilker, Brenda Schwieterman

Sunday, December 7, 8:00 am

Servers: Samuel Gerlach, Oliver Link, Jude Link

Lector: Landon Bruggeman

EMHC: Kathy Prenger, Dan Tobe

Sunday, December 7, 10:00 am

Servers: Liam Cowan, David Dues, Madelyn Lange, Henry Broering

Lector: Tessa Huwer

EMHC: Brenda Kaiser, Deacon Roger Kaiser, Stephanie Rutschilling

Sunday, December 7, 6:00 pm

Servers: Breann Mathewson, Ryan Mathewson

Lector: Charmaine Bettinger

EMHC: Melinda Pleiman, Sarah Klosterman

– St. Anthony –

Thursday, December 4, 6:45 pm

Servers: Wesley Geier

Lector: Marty Knapke

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Saturday, December 6, 4:00 pm

Servers: Jacob Kahlig, Hallory Kahlig, Wesley Kahlig, Hailey Grey

Lector: Janet Brockman

EMHC: Rodney Homan

Sacristan: Janie Timmerman

Ushers: Sam Muhlenkamp, Mitch Sudhoff

Rosary: Julie Brackman

– St. Mary –

Tuesday, December 2, 7:15 am

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby

Lector: Stephanie Wendel

Sunday, December 7, 12:00 pm

Servers: William Moorman, Jacob Uhlenhake, Kate Uhlenhake, Isabella Uhlenhake

Lector: Jordan Geier

EMHC: Caryn Timmerman

Ushers: Jason Kaiser, Tony Puthoff



Message from the Priests

Seek and Be Found: The Joy of the Advent Journey

A Season That Opens the Heart

"Open wide the door of your heart—Christ desires to enter." — **St. John Paul II**

Advent is God's gentle invitation to begin seeking Him again—with renewed hope, fresh desire, and awakened faith. It is not simply the countdown to Christmas but a sacred journey of the heart. In this season, we become aware that God has already set out in search of us long before we begin searching for Him.

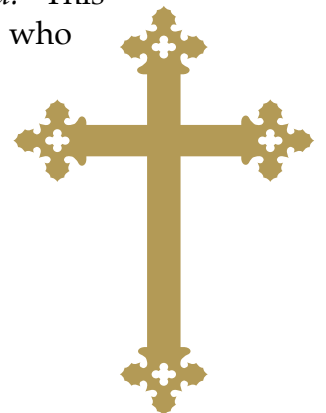
The Example of Zacchaeus: Rising Above What Holds Us Back: We see this beautifully in Zacchaeus, whose longing pushed him up a sycamore tree simply to glimpse Jesus. That small act of seeking opened the door to a life-changing encounter. Jesus stopped, looked up, and called him by name. Advent invites us to rise above distractions, fears, and routines so that we can see Christ more clearly as He walks into our lives. **Peter's Cry of Longing:** We hear this same longing echoed in Peter, who cried out, *"Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."* When the world offers noise instead of meaning, Peter's question becomes our own. Advent gently guides us back to the One who alone satisfies the deepest hunger of our hearts.

St. Thomas: From Doubt to Conviction: We witness a profound example in St. Thomas, whose honest search led him from doubt to the bold confession, *"My Lord and my God!"* His story assures us that sincere seeking—even with questions—always leads to deeper encounter. Advent invites us to move from uncertainty to trust, from spiritual restlessness to renewed vision.

The Importance of Advent: Advent is important because it teaches us to pause and make room for the God who desires to dwell within us. It reminds us that true preparation begins not in our homes but in the quiet places of our hearts. This sacred season slows our hurried pace so we can recognize the gentle footsteps of Christ drawing near. Advent reawakens our longing for the Savior and renews our trust in His promise to come again. Above all, Advent forms us into a people who watch, wait, and hope—knowing that God always fulfills His word.

Why We Seek the Lord: To seek the Lord is to open ourselves to the quiet miracles He is already working within us. To seek Him is to let His light enter the hidden corners of our hearts where hope longs to awaken. To seek Christ is to choose a path where His peace steadies us, even when the way ahead seems uncertain. To seek the Lord is to remember that every small turning toward Him is met with His abundant grace. And to seek Him daily is to discover that the One we pursue has been faithfully walking beside us all along. As we walk through this holy season, may our hearts echo the words of St. Augustine: *"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."* This Advent, may we seek with sincerity and allow ourselves to be found by the God who comes near—full of mercy, peace, and joy.

- Fr. Joseph Pasala



Sacramental Information

OCIA Rite of Entrance

This weekend Holy Cross Family of Parishes formally welcomes the following OCIA participants into the Catechumenate via the Rite for Entrance: Jordan Cornett, Jasmine Emrick, Sierra Fisher, Erika Geier, Kahlan Rose, and Carson Tegtmeyer. This is an important step into their journey to becoming members of the Catholic Church.

Please keep them in your prayers.



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.

Newly Baptized

Holy Trinity

Lincoln Joseph Keller
Child of John Keller & Abigail Schwieterman

Kinsley Marie Post
Child of Evan and Emily

Reese Elizabeth Homan
Child of Zachary & Taylor

St. Paul

Josie Susan Kohler
Child of Andrew & Nicole



Marriage Congratulations!

Shane & Katelyn (Will) Bills
Married Saturday, November 15, 2025
(Holy Trinity)

Owen & Rachel (Acheson) Schoen
Married Saturday, November 15, 2025
(St. Joseph)

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

In Loving Memory...

Lester Hein
May 7, 1928 - November 12, 2025
(Holy Trinity)

Ann Marie "Annie" Lochtefeld
October 12, 1939 - November 18, 2025
(St. Paul)

George F. Fisher
January 16, 1933 - November 19, 2025
(Holy Trinity)

*I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord whoever believes
in me will never die.*

- John 11:26



VIGIL OF TWO HEARTS

Schedule of Events St. Joseph

Friday, December 5

7 pm: Rosary & Confessions
8 pm: Holy Mass followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
8:30 pm - 12 am: Ongoing Eucharistic Adoration throughout the night with private & community prayer

Saturday, December 6

12 am - 8:40 am: Continued Eucharistic Adoration
7:45 am: Rosary
8:45 am: Benediction
9 am: Holy Mass
9:30 am: Confessions



Sign up for an hour of adoration with the provided QR code. (Note: All are welcome, and sign-ups are not necessary to attend.)

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

Holy Cross Family of Parishes

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS — Bulletin submissions for the December 21st bulletin are due by Wednesday, December 10, 2025. All bulletin submissions for the December 28th bulletin are due by Monday, December 15, 2025. All bulletin submissions for the January 4th bulletin are due by Thursday, December 18, 2025. All are due by the usual 8 am deadline. Please send submissions to bulletin.holycrossfop@gmail.com

CANCELLATIONS — The regularly scheduled Masses, confessions, and adoration at Holy Trinity and St. Peter are canceled on Monday, December 8th for the Immaculate Conception which is a holy day of obligation.

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED — Both parish offices will be closed on Monday, December 8th.

RAFFLE TICKETS — The Guatemala mission committee are selling raffle tickets for 2026 to assist the people of La Labor with their educational and health care needs. Each ticket is \$20.00. The weekly winners are paid \$100 based on the Wednesday night Ohio Lottery drawing, and there is an annual winner of \$1000, \$300 & \$200. If you would like to purchase tickets please put money in the collection with your name, address, and phone number and we will get tickets back to you. Thank you for your assistance in aiding the people of La Labor.

EXPECTANT MOTHER'S BLESSING — The blessing of expectant mothers will be after all the Masses the weekend of December 6/7.

REMINDER — This week we will be operating with only three priests. Please pray for Fr. Moore as he is out of town. The remaining priests will do their best to make things run as smoothly as possible. Thank you for your patience in the case that something happens or needs to be canceled. Please pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life!

EMHC TRAINING/REFRESHER — Sessions will be held on Tuesday, December 2 at 7 pm in Holy Trinity's Grotto and Thursday, December 4 at 7 pm in MHC's Undercroft. Contact either parish office to let them know if you will be attending.

WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP — Meetings are the first & third 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 UPDATE — Meetings will be held every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be held at St. Peter Hall. The book "Home" will continue to be discussed. Have week 7 read for the next meeting.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY UPDATE — Meetings will be held at 1184 Philothea Rd, Ft. Recovery, Ohio, from 7:30 - 8:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month during November & December.

Parents of Second Grade Girls

Parents, please sign up your 2nd grade daughter to carry up baby Jesus for one of the below Christmas Masses.



Carry Up Baby Jesus!

December 24

4:30 pm - Holy Trinity

4:30 pm - MHC

11:00 pm - St. Mary

December 25

8:00 am - St. Peter

9:00 am - St. Anthony

10:00 am - St. Joseph

11:00 am - St. Paul

Call Coldwater or Fort Recovery Parish Office to Sign-Up.

Note: First to sign up will be selected to carry up baby Jesus.

Welcome New Members

Holy Trinity

Kent and Morgan Jutte
along with their child Wells

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.

Advent Series with Fr. Witt

Nov. 30th - Why we need Mary

Dec. 7th - Mary, Mother of God
Immaculate Conception

Dec. 14th - Perpetual Virginity

Dec. 21st - Assumption of Mary



Fr. Yauss Center after the Holy Trinity 10 am Mass
&
Mary Help of Christians Library at 7 pm

FT. RECOVERY ORGANIST NEEDED — Our cluster is looking for an organist to assist with music ministry at weekend Masses once or twice a month. If you or someone you know has experience playing the organ or piano (willing to train on the organ) and would like to serve the church through music, please contact the Fort Recovery office at (419) 375-4153.

CHRISTMAS KICKOFF — November 29, 2025, from 9 am to Noon at MHC's church basement. Santa will be there along with face-painting, games, Christmas science experiments, shepherd snack station, breakfast & coffee bar. Plus, all new: walk-thru interactive outdoor nativity journey. All are welcome!

2026 MARIAN PILGRIMAGE THROUGH FRANCE — Fr. Witt will be leading a pilgrimage tentatively from Sept. 14 - 24, 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.

FAITH FUELED FRIDAYS PRESENTS — Damascus Worship! Come enjoy a night of music for the whole family as we prepare for Christ's coming! All Ages Welcome! Friday December 5, 2025. Music at 7 pm. *Vendors/Shopping before and after the event starting at 6 pm for all your faith-filled Christmas gifts! *Divine Little Ones Preschool with an Advent Craft Station for the kids! Located at the Fort Recovery E/MS Auditoria.

IGNITE — The regular Thursday meetings are canceled, but adults ages 18 - 24 are still welcome to join the group for faith & friendship. The group is geared towards deepening your relationship with God while navigating adulthood, build community, and grow closer to Christ as you move into a new phase of life. Contact Chase Kaiser at (419) 268-8432 for more information.

MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS — To see what maintenance and improvement projects are underway at our different parishes, go to www.holycrossfop.org, click on the "more" tab, then "Improvement Projects", then click on the church to explore the projects and their current status.

HEARTS ON FIRE: CAMPING WITH CHRIST — Registration is full for this event, but there is a wait list available if you would like to sign up in case those who are already registered are unable to attend. The event will be held at 4171 Burrville Rd., Coldwater, Ohio on Memorial Day weekend, May 22-24, 2026. You must be registered in order to attend. Join the wait list using the QR Code provided.



Update: To receive items before Christmas, order by Dec. 1st

*Celebrate
the Season!*



New items have been added to our online store!

All proceeds will benefit

*Holy Cross
Family of Parishes.*

Thank you for your Support!



Product options and pricing is available online using the QR code above or https://designsemb.com/holy_cross

Christmas items will be available for purchase up until the New Year!

Poinsettia Donation

"In Memory of a Loved One"

A poinsettia may be donated in memory of a loved one at your parish by filling out this form. Please enclose your donation in an envelope marked "Poinsettia" and drop it in a collection basket at any of our parishes or at either Holy Cross Family Office. Each poinsettia costs the parishes \$25 - \$35. A donation amount to cover the cost of a poinsettia is recommended, but any donation amount will be accepted.

Your name: _____

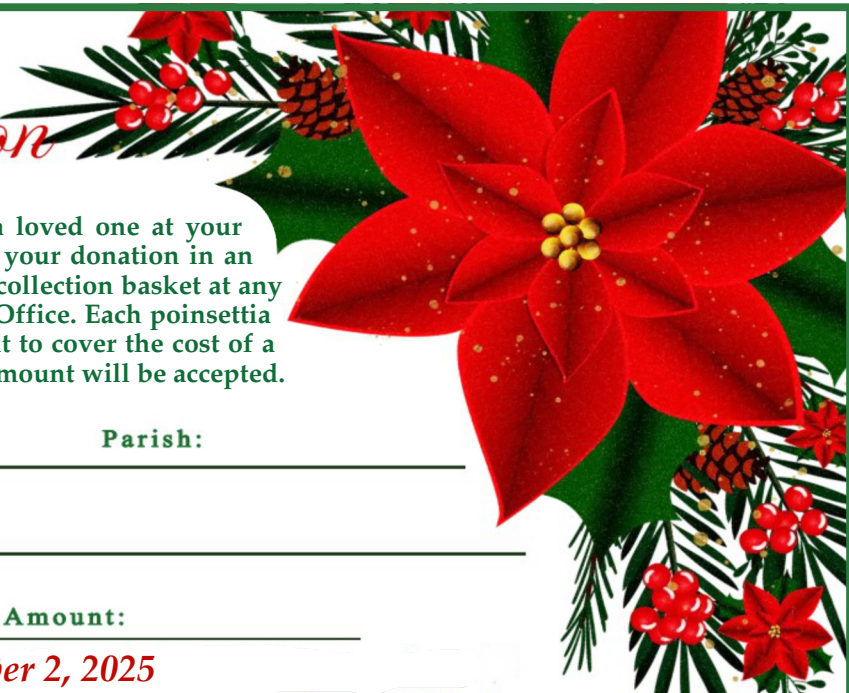
Parish: _____

Loved One's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount: _____

Forms are due by Tuesday, December 2, 2025



Christmas & Christmas Eve

December 24 Mass Times

4:30 pm - Holy Trinity
4:30 pm - MHC
11:00 pm - St. Mary

December 25 Mass Times

Midnight - Holy Trinity
Midnight - MHC
8:00 am - Holy Trinity
8:00 am - St. Peter
9:00 am - MHC
9:00 am - St. Anthony
10:00 am - Holy Trinity
10:00 am - St. Joseph
11:00 am - St. Paul

Note: Christmas songs by the choir will be starting @ 11:30 pm before the Midnight Masses

Immaculate Conception

(Holy Day of Obligation observed on Mon. Dec. 8 this Year.)

Monday, December 8

(Mass Times)

Holy Trinity: 6:15 am
MHC: 7:00 am
Holy Trinity: Noon
MHC: Noon
Holy Trinity: 5:30 pm
MHC: 5:30 pm
Holy Trinity: 7:30 pm
MHC: 7:30 pm

Note: There are NO Vigil Masses on Dec. 7th for this Holy Day.



(A Personal Gift to Jesus)...

Candlelit Adoration w/ Christmas Lights

December 23, 2025

St. Mary: 7:45 am - Noon
St. Anthony: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Holy Trinity: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Mary Help of Christians: 6 - 8 pm
St. Paul: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
St. Peter: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
St. Joseph: 8:30 am - 6:30 pm



the RESCUE project

The Rescue Project presents the message of the gospel in a unique and compelling way, seeking to explore the following questions that many of us have:

- Why is there something rather than nothing?
- Why is everything so messed up?
- What, if anything, has God done about it?
- How will I respond?

Additional Date: Combined Retreat at Holy Trinity on 2/21/2026

HOLY TRINITY

Mondays: 6:30-8:30 pm

January 12, 2026
January 19, 2026
January 26, 2026
February 2, 2026
February 9, 2026
February 16, 2026
February 23, 2026

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:30 pm

January 13, 2026
January 20, 2026
January 27, 2026
February 3, 2026
February 10, 2026
February 17, 2026
February 24, 2026



The Rescue Project 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 that will be provided.



My Parish App - Advent Features



Advent 2025

Advent Reflections: Through our partnership with Ave Maria Press, reflections from the book *Let Heaven and Nature Sing: Daily Prayers for Advent and Christmas* will be available!



Higher Ground

Higher Ground - Advent Podcast

The Podcast by Elevated Parish Missions that helps ignite a deeper love for Christ throughout the Advent Season.



Merry Beggars

A Christmas Carol - Audio Drama

Through our partnership with The Merry Beggars, listen to the classic story of Ebenezer Scrooge in an audio Advent calendar! Enjoy 25 10-minute episodes, one for each day of Advent. Brought to life with an award-winning cast, Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol will cheer and inspire you in the classic tale of redemption.

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



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.



Parish Information



Holy Trinity

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER —

As mentioned in our recent annual business summary, we are

currently budgeting our Parish Permanent Improvement fund (PPI Envelopes and PPI Online giving) to address three major projects within the next 5 years. These include a new roof, new gutters/spouting/downspouts and a complete resurface of the parking lot. Our goal is to set aside \$175,000 each year over the next 4 years (or roughly \$14,500/month). For reference, July PPI was \$4,300, August \$5,100, September \$11,200 and October \$26,300 for an average of \$11,725. We kindly ask you to keep this in mind as you make your weekly/monthly or special donations. The PPI envelopes are a separate donation from the normal weekly contribution envelopes and online giving. Working together, we can continue to keep Holy Trinity's buildings and grounds well maintained and a special place for worship.

ADVENT CANDLES — Advent candles are available at \$5.00 per set in Holy Trinity's sacristy.

ANGEL TREE — Reminder gifts and gift cards for the Angel Tree are due back this Sunday, November 30th. Please place all gifts in the East Wing entrance. If you did not take a tag and would like to make a financial donation, you may do so by placing your donation in an envelope marked "Holy Trinity Angel Tree" and drop it in the Sunday collection. Please make checks out to Holy Trinity with Angel Tree in memo. Contact Lisa with questions at (419) 852-4481. Thank you!

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Trinity on Wed., Dec. 17th anywhere from 3 - 9 pm. If interested in filling one of these time slots, please use the QR code or contact Sarah at sklosterman.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 678-4802.



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!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT — The St. Anthony religion students will present their Christmas Pageant on Wed., Dec. 17th at 6:30 pm in the gym. All are invited to attend! Adoration will be held in the church from 6:30 - 7:30 pm, and everyone is encouraged to stay and take part. After adoration, snacks and drinks will be served in the school hall around 7:30 pm. Come celebrate the Christmas season with our students and parish family!

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at St. Anthony on Wed., Dec. 17th from 6:30 - 7:45 pm. If interested in filling this time slot, please use the QR code or contact Sarah at sklosterman.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 678-4802.



Mary Help of Christians

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM —

Don't forget to drop off your Angel Tree gift in the marked boxes in front of the

churches by Dec. 7. If you did not get a tag and would like to take part in this program, monetary donations are always appreciated. Just put your donation in an envelope marked "Angel Tree" and drop it in the collection. Make checks payable to Mary Help of Christians mentioned "Angel Tree". If you have any questions please call Mary at 419-852-6213. Thank you for your help with this great Christmas program.

HELP NEEDED — We are looking for someone to launder the altar cloths at Mary Help of Christians. If interested, please call the Fort Recovery Office at (419) 375-4153.

ADVENT PARTY — Mary Help of Christians Ladies Sodality will be having their Advent party on Thursday, December 18th at 6 pm in the Undercroft. Join us for a meal and entertainment, cost is \$10.00. The ladies sewing group will be set up during the party. All Mary Help of Christian ladies are welcome! RSVP to Megan Wendel at (419) 852-5066 by December 13th.

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at MHC on Wed., Dec. 17th from 6 - 7:15 pm OR 7:15 - 8:30 pm. If interested in filling one of these time slots, please use the QR code or contact Harlie at hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 375-4153.



St. Paul

ST. PAUL GIVING TREE —

Help families who need extra support this Christmas by taking an ornament from the Giving Tree in

the entrance of St. Paul church. Purchase the item listed on the ornament, and return under the tree by Dec. 7. It really helps if the gift is in a box that can be wrapped by Grades 7-12. Thank you for all the generous support in the past. All gifts are greatly appreciated. If you prefer, drop a gift card or cash in the collection in an envelope with St. Paul Giving Tree on the envelope. Gift cards for groceries are always included for the families. If you have extra wrapping paper, please place under the tree as well. Call or text Helen at (419) 852-0763 with any questions.

LADIES SODALITY CHRISTMAS PARTY — The party will be Tuesday, December 9th with cocktails at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30 pm. A short meeting will follow. A sign-up sheet will be in the church until December 2nd for reservations. ALL ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to join us for food, fellowship, and fun!!

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at St. Paul on Wed., Dec. 17th from 6 - 7:15 pm OR 7:15 - 8:30 pm. If interested in filling one of these time slots, please use the QR code or contact Harlie at hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 375-4153.



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St. Mary

P A T R I O T I C 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.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING — The CYO will be Christmas caroling on Wednesday, Dec. 10th from 6:45 to 8 pm. If you or someone you know in the Philothea area would like to be added to our visits, please contact Kim at (937) 638-1380.

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary on Wed., Dec. 17th from 6:45 - 7:15 pm. If interested in filling this time slot, please use the QR code or contact Sarah at sklosterman.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 678-4802



St. Joseph

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM —

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CLEANING — (December) **Casi Grube, Angela Siegrist, Holly Grube, Linda Fullenkamp, Leanne Grube, Elizabeth Hart, Jean Grube

CHRISTMAS DECORATING — All hands are welcomed on Monday, December 22nd @ 6:30 pm to set up Christmas decorations at St. Joseph. Thank you!



St. Peter

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM —

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ST. PETER LADIES SODALITY — Monday, December 29th, Doors open at 5:30 pm Supper at 6 pm. All are invited to join for food and fun. Please RSVP to Rachel Rammel by phone or text (419) 852-2004 by December 19th.

ADORERS NEEDED — Enjoy a chance to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at St. Peter on Wed., Dec. 17th from 6 - 7:15 pm OR 7:15 - 8:30 pm. If interested in filling one of these time slots, please use the QR code or contact Harlie at hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com or (419) 375-4153.



Religious Education

Coldwater Religious Ed.

Contact: Sarah Klosterman

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

ATTENTION:

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD — We are in need of parent volunteers to help bring children to and from church during Mass, assist with activities, and ensure all children are safely returned to their parents. To meet Safe Environment guidelines, we must have one adult for every ten children; if we are unable to meet this ratio, we may have to discontinue the program. We would very much like to avoid this, so if you can help even once a month, please sign up using the QR code or contact Sarah Klosterman. Your help makes a big difference!



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

Fort Recovery Religious Ed.

Contact: Harlie Metzger

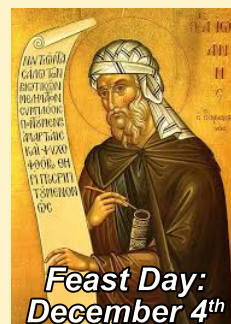
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ATTENTION:

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

Saint of the Week - Saint John of Damascus

From almost 1300 years ago, John's message for the church's spirituality and mission is surprisingly contemporary. Pope Benedict says that, in our modern culture of images, sacred images often speak more eloquently than words. This "incarnational theology," the concept that visible, tangible elements can give believers access to divine realities beyond, found an eloquent champion in John of Damascus. He challenged the Iconoclasts (image-breakers), whose misinterpretation of the biblical prohibition of idolatrous images (Exodus 20:4-5) led them to campaign for the destruction of all sacred art. Before this controversy, however, John bore witness to Christ in a way that provides a timely example for Christians in today's pluralistic society. Succeeding his grandfather and father, John served as chief financial officer to the Muslim Caliph, professing his Christian faith without compromise, while winning the esteem of his Islamic sovereign by his competence and integrity. No wonder John could eloquently defend icons as "windows into heaven"—he had already learned to see Christ in the living icons of people different from himself yet fashioned in the same divine image! —Peter Scagnelli



- Information obtained from diocesan.com

Christmas Wishlist

Below is a list of things that our religious education catechists and youth groups would love to have available to them. If you are interested in helping to fulfill their wish lists to better aid in the education and discipleship of our students, then take a look below. You can purchase one item, multiple items, or simply make a general donation. Any help is appreciated but not at all expected!

Fort Recovery Religious Education & Youth Ministry Christmas Wishlist

I would like to donate:

- _____ Bible Carrying Case, \$25, students are given Bibles freshmen year to use in grades 9-12, would like to give to all incoming Freshman, if possible (47 cases)
 - _____ St. Peter/St. Joseph - 9 students
 - _____ St. Paul - 15 students
 - _____ MHC - 23 students
- _____ New Catholic Answers Bible, \$40, one for each incoming freshman (47 Bibles)
 - _____ St. Peter/St. Joseph - 9 students
 - _____ St. Paul - 15 students
 - _____ MHC - 23 students
- _____ Catholic Bible Tabs, \$5, makes navigating the Bible easier (47 sets)
 - _____ St. Peter/St. Joseph - 9 students
 - _____ St. Paul - 15 students
 - _____ MHC - 23 students
- _____ 8x10 Area Rug for youth basement, \$70
- _____ Pope Leo XIV Cardboard Cutout, \$70
- _____ Outdoor Volleyball Boundary Rope, \$30-\$50
- _____ I would like to donate to any Youth Ministry needs for the upcoming year.
- _____ I would like to donate to any CCD needs for the upcoming year (classroom supplies, updated classroom Bibles, etc.)

Coldwater Religious Education & Youth Ministry Christmas Wishlist

I would like to donate:

- _____ The Great Adventure Bible, \$40, one for each incoming 6th grader at HT and 5th grader at SA & SM (69 Bibles)
 - _____ St. Anthony - 6 students
 - _____ St. Mary - 13 students
 - _____ Holy Trinity - 50 students
- _____ Metal storage cabinets for Saint Anthony CCD building, \$120 (7 cabinets)
- _____ Curtains for the windows in the Youth Group room at HT, \$45 (6 sets of curtains)
- _____ Sectional couch cover for the Youth Group room at HT, \$70 (1 cover)
- _____ Regular couch covers for the Youth Group room at HT, \$58 (4 covers)
- _____ Chair covers for the Youth Group room at HT, \$38 (4 covers)
- _____ Area rug for the Youth Group room at HT, \$100 (1 rug)
- _____ I would like to donate to any Youth Ministry needs for the upcoming year.
- _____ I would like to donate to any CCD needs for the upcoming year (classroom supplies, updated classroom Bibles, etc.)
- _____ Pope Leo XIV Cardboard Cutout, \$70

**Remove this page and send with any donations to the Cluster Offices.
Thank you so much for your support of our youth programs!**

Youth Ministry

Coldwater Youth Group

Contact: Maria Gruss

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2 — 7 - 8 am | Christ & Coffee @ Rooster Joe (grades 7th - 12th)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3 — 7:45 - 8:45 pm | Fishers of Fun Rec Night @ The Fr. Yauss Basement (Ages 12+)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9 — 7 - 8 am | Christ & Coffee @ Rooster Joe (grades 7th - 12th)

STEUBENVILLE — All 8th - 12th grade students are invited to Steubenville 2026 July 10-12. All forms and \$50 deposit must be turned into Maria by December 1st. Any questions contact Maria.

LUNCH CANCELED — Monday, December 8th: High School Men's & Ladies Lunch @ The Fr. Yauss is canceled.

Fort Fiat Youth Group

Contact: Natalie Ashbaugh

nashbaugh.holycrossfop@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

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

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

CHRISTMAS TREE BATTLE — Thursday, December 4th 6:30-8:00 pm @ MHC (6th - 12th)

BREAKFAST CLUB — Next Breakfast Club is December 5th 7:15 am @ MHC (6th - 12th)

STEUBENVILLE — Deadline for Steubenville sign-up is December 1st. All 8th - 12th - grade students are eligible to go. Please turn in your papers and \$50 deposit to Natalie by the deadline.

FISHERS OF FUN REC NIGHT

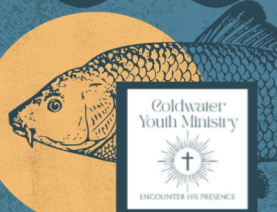
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AM WORTHY

July 10-12, 2026

Registration Form and Archdiocese Medical Release Form must be turned in along with a \$50 non-refundable deposit by the deadline to reserve your spot. Forms can be found online on our website or by scanning the QR code below. Please print them and turn in to Maria or Natalie at any youth group event or by dropping them off at either parish office. Questions? Contact Maria Gruss at mgruss.holycrossfop@gmail.com.

Registration Deadline: December 1, 2025



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Fort Fiat
Boys vs. Girls

Christmas Tree Battle

Fort Fiat will be participating in the Festival of Trees at the Fort Recovery Library.

Thursday, December 4th

Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be provided
6:15-7:00 PM @ MHC

Christmas Tree Decorating

7:00-8:00 pm @ FR Public Library

We will be walking to the library, so watch out for the weather

All 6th-12th grade students are welcome

Community Interests

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE — The 36th annual National Night of Prayer for Life will be held at the Spiritual Center chapel, Maria Stein, starting at 7 - 11 pm, Mon., Dec. 8th, 2025. Four hours of Eucharistic Adoration and prayers of reparation to end abortion will be offered. Each hour will begin with a hymn and prayers including the rosary and the Divine Mercy chaplet and will unite many parishes across the nation for the same intention. It will be opened with exposition by Deacon Greg Bornhorst who will also close with Benediction. All are welcome and may come for all or part of this special night of prayer for the unborn.

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.

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.

WANTED — Able body workers needed at St. John Bosco School & Training Center in Jamaica for 7 to 10 days; 8 till 6 work day. Temp. 65-85° around Feb. 8, 2026. Need a passport. Need more info, call Dennis Siefring: 419-852-9063.

MEN'S OPEN SPIRITUAL EXERCISES/RETREAT — Friday-Sunday, January 9-10, 2026 at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein (2365 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein, Ohio 45860). Registration starts on Friday, January 9th, 2026 at 6 pm. Welcome at 7:30 pm. Retreat ends Sunday, January 11th, 2026 at 1 pm after Mass and Lunch. There is no meal on Friday night. Cost per participant: \$250 before December 19th and \$275 after that date. This includes single room and bath, all meals and fees. Spiritual Exercises are limited to 25 Participants. This "Spiritual Exercises/Retreat" is silent and is according to the methods and principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola and includes meditations, conferences, Mass, confession, Program of Life, opportunity for confession, spiritual direction and personal prayer. The retreat is preached by a priest of the Legionaries of Christ. Register online at: www.rcohiovalley.org by Friday, December 19th, 2025. For more information regarding the Retreat contact: Jay Brown at E-mail: Jab84@nktelco.net or Phone: (419) 733-5819.

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!

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If you would like to sign up, contact Charmaine Bettinger at (419) 678-4802 or cbettinger.holycrossfop@gmail.com.

If you are currently giving through your credit card with online giving and would like to switch to ACH to reduce the credit card fees assessed to the church, please contact Charmaine Bettinger.

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Flowers.....	\$ 65.00
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Allocated Loose.....	\$1,027.97

St. Joseph

Offertory.....	\$ 898.00
All Saints.....	\$ 40.00
Flowers.....	\$ 30.00
Allocated Loose.....	\$ 214.67

St. Paul

Offertory.....	\$2,817.11
Military.....	\$ 130.00
Flowers.....	\$ 30.00
Allocated Loose.....	\$ 438.06

St. Peter

Offertory.....	\$2,460.00
Military.....	\$ 190.00
Flowers.....	\$ 140.00
Maintenance.....	\$ 350.00
Human Development ...	\$ 520.00
Allocated Loose.....	\$ 347.31

Holy Trinity

Offertory.....	\$5,760.00
Loose.....	\$2,941.00
Total.....	\$8,701.00
Candles.....	\$ 187.00

St. Anthony

Offertory.....	\$ 660.00
Loose.....	\$ 296.00
Total.....	\$ 956.00

St. Mary

Offertory.....	\$ 825.00
Loose.....	\$ 638.00
Total.....	\$1,463.00
Candles.....	\$ 134.75

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