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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 21, 2026
Twelfth 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, June 22 <i>Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs; opt. mem.</i>	Eileen Boeckman †	FBS	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Art & Eileen Boeckman †	FAW	6:45 pm	St. Peter	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, June 23 <i>Weekday</i>	Mary Jane Braun †	FBS	7:15 am	St. Mary	After Mass
	Maria Droesch †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Joseph	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, June 24 <i>The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist; Solemnity</i>	Onalee Fullenkamp †	FAW	7:15 am (L/S)	MHC	After Mass
	Harold Livingston †	FJP	Noon (L/S)	Holy Trinity	11:30 am - end
Thursday, June 25 <i>Weekday</i>	Paul & Anna Reinhard †	FAW	7:15 am	St. Paul	After Mass
	Alice Niekamp †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Anthony (School Hall)	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Friday, June 26 <i>Weekday</i>	L/D Don & Bernice Wellman Family †	FJP	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	L/D Al & Mary Keller Family †	FAW	Noon (L/S)	MHC	11:30 am - end
Saturday, June 27 <i>Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor of the Church; BVM on Saturday; opt. mem.</i>	Paul Lamm †	FJP	9:00 am	St. Joseph	After Mass
	Niekamp / Hrycko Wedding	FEM	1:00 pm	Holy Trinity	N/A
	Thoma / Rohrer Wedding	FAW	1:30 pm	St. Paul	N/A
	Velma Jean Schroer †	FAW	4:00 pm	St. Anthony (School Hall)	3:15 - 3:45 pm
	Mike Franzer †	FBS	4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	3:45 - 4:15 pm
	Lucille Stahl †	FEM/DRK	4:30 pm (L/S)	MHC	3:45 - 4:15 pm
Sunday, June 28 <i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	L/D William & Virginia Butsch Family †	FEM	7:00 am	St. Joseph	N/A
	L/D Gary Niekamp Family †	FAW	8:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	7:25 - 7:45 am
	Janet Langenkamp †	FP	9:00 am (L/S)	MHC	8:25 - end
	Vincent Gross †	FBS	10:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	9:25 - 9:45 am
	Mary Jean Evers †	FJP	11:00 am	St. Paul	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Art & Eileen Boeckman †	FEM	11:00 am	St. Peter	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Members of Holy Cross Family of Parishes	FAW/DDK	Noon	St. Mary	11:25 - 11:45 am
	George & Salome Zehringer †	FBS	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-qq4zm, 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, June 24, 7:15 am

Servers: Charlie Roessner, Chris Timmerman

Lector: Pauline Faller

Friday, June 26, 12:00 pm

Server: Xavier Bruns

Lector: Diane Siegrist

Saturday, June 27, 4:30 pm

Servers: Carson Fullenkamp, John Bihn, Rachel Fortkamp, Joseph Fortkamp

Lector: Lisa Romer

EMHC: Deacon Roger Kaiser, Ted Romer

Sacristan: Ted Romer

Ushers: Floyd Bergman, Don Lennartz, Chuck Kaiser, Ken Romer

Sunday, June 28, 9:00 am

Servers: Chase Fiely, Milo Fiely, Grant Pearson, Emma Pearson

Lector: Elly Boeckman

EMHC: Elly Boeckman, Bill Gaerke

Sacristan: Lois Vogel

Ushers: Chuck Keller, Mike Laux, Mark Metzger, Jeff Wendel

- St. Joseph -

Tuesday, June 23, 6:45 pm

Servers: Braxton Schmitz, Corbyn Schmitz

Lector: Lisa Roessner

Sacristan: Norma Pottkotter

Saturday, June 27, 9:00 am

Server: Tyler Dues

Lector: Jane Hipple

Sunday, June 28, 7:00 am

Servers: Eric Lamm, Dillan Schulze, Kyle Fullenkamp, Seth Fullenkamp

Lector: Aimee Pottkotter

EMHC: Holly Grube

Sacristan: Norma Pottkotter

Ushers: Gary Pottkotter, Dave Lennartz

- St. Paul -

Thursday, June 25, 7:15 am

Servers: Korbin Wuebker, Hayden Wuebker

Sunday, June 28, 11:00 am

Servers: Landon Sudhoff, Raelyn Sudhoff, Coralai Sudhoff

Lector: Diane Siefring

EMHC: Dennis Siefring, Joe Knapke

Ushers: Joe Hawk, Jared Hemmelgarn

Rosary: Ken & Lil Knapke

- St. Peter -

Monday, June 22, 6:45 pm

Server: Tate Kahlig

Lector: Nathan Fortkamp

Sunday, June 28, 11:00 am

Servers: Isaac Roessner, Alex Roessner, Charlie Roessner, James Pottkotter, Francis Pottkotter, Michael Pottkotter

Lector: Jack Gaerke

EMHC: Jim Knapke

Sacristan: Marilyn Pottkotter

Ushers: Joe Will, Kyle Bettinger

- Holy Trinity -

Monday, June 22, 7:15 am

Servers: Blake Wenning, Reagan Wenning, Kendall Wenning

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Wednesday, June 24, 12:00 pm

Servers: Samuel Gerlach, Oliver Link, Jude Link

Lector: Nancy Clune

Sacristan: Peyton Link, Emma Gerlach

Friday, June 26, 7:15 am

Servers: Carter Heitkamp, Owen Heitkamp, Gavin Heitkamp

Lector: Rita Riethman

Saturday, June 27, 4:30 pm

Servers: Sam Grigsby, Leo Grigsby, Lincoln Homan

Lector: Gary Lefeld

EMHC: Denny Riethman, Michelle Wilker, Nate Wenning

Sunday, June 28, 8:00 am

Servers: Carter Heitkamp, Karsyn Homan, Kratyn Homan, Krew Homan

Lector: Janelle Rollins

EMHC: Abbie Homan, Gary Diller

Sunday, June 28, 10:00 am

Servers: Emmit May, Kennley Siegrist, Grace Siegrist, Mya Siegrist, Miles Bruns

Lector: Tessa Huwer

EMHC: Cindy Schmidt, Karen Stammen, Brooke Stammen

Sunday, June 28, 6:00 pm

Servers: Levi Sutter, Gabriel Simper, Leo Huelskamp

Lector: Ryan Sutter

EMHC: Pam Hicks, Stephanie Rutschilling

- St. Anthony -

Thursday, June 25, 6:45 pm (Mass in School Hall)

Server: Wesley Geier

Lector: Paul Welling

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Saturday, June 27, 4:00 pm (Mass in School Hall)

Servers: Wesley Geier, Jack Link, Hallory Kahlig, Hailey Grey

Lector: Marty Knapke

EMHC: Janie Timmerman

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Ushers: Corey Sudhoff, Mitch Sudhoff

Rosary: Julie Brackman

- St. Mary -

Tuesday, June 23, 7:15 am

Server: Lincoln Homan

Lector: Stephanie Wendel

Sunday, June 28, 12:00 pm

Servers: William Moorman, Benjamin Liette, Jay Liette, Kali Uhlenhake

Lector: Amy Welling

EMHC: Deacon Dan Kahlig

Ushers: Kevin Welling,

Alex Uhlenhake



Message from the Seminarian

Being Lead Where We Do Not Wish to Go:

The Successor of the Apostles and the Liturgical Traditions of the Church.

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week, I was once again invited to write an article as a guest contributor. Recently, a particular topic has come to mind on several occasions. One instance was during a homily in which a priest reflected on verse 18 of Chapter 21 of St. John's Gospel:

“Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.”

This passage has remained in my prayers and meditations as I reflect on the traditions of the Church, the beauty that accompanies them, and the rich symbolism and meaning they convey.

The verse reminds me of the traditional form of the Mass celebrated before 1969. In the ordinary course of parish life, a priest would vest himself in the sacristy and then proceed to the altar to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. However, in the most solemn form of the liturgy—the Solemn Pontifical Mass, celebrated by a bishop or the Pope—the bishop enters the church not yet fully vested for the sacred rites.

In this ancient and elevated form of the liturgy, the bishop is led into the church as a successor of the Apostles and a representative of the Holy Father and St. Peter. Upon his arrival, he is met by ministers who process from the sanctuary carrying the aspergillum and aspersion, the instruments used for the sprinkling of holy water. After blessing himself and those around him, he is escorted to a faldstool, a movable ceremonial chair located either within or near the sanctuary.

Once seated, the bishop's shoes are replaced with silk buskins and pontifical sandals. He then removes the garments not worn during the celebration of Mass. What follows is a profound display of humility. Assisted by deacons and other ministers, the bishop is vested piece by piece. He first receives the amice, then the alb, and finally the cincture.

Next, he is clothed with the vestments that symbolize the fullness of Holy Orders. He receives the stole, the tunic—traditionally worn by the subdeacon—the dalmatic of the deacon, and the chasuble of the priest. As each vestment is placed upon him, he stretches out his hands so that others may clothe him. During this ceremony, he also receives pontifical gloves, reminding him that his hands have been consecrated by God for sacred service. Finally, he is given the insignia of his office: the episcopal ring, the miter, and the crozier. Only then does he process to the foot of the altar with his ministers to prepare for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

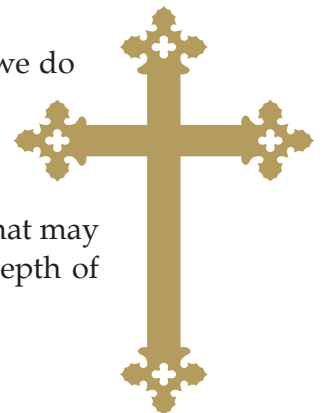
In this moment, the words of St. John's Gospel take on a striking liturgical expression. The bishop, no longer dressing himself, stretches out his hands and allows others to vest him. The symbolism points not only to the dignity of his office but also to the humility, obedience, and self-sacrifice required of those called to shepherd Christ's flock.

My brothers and sisters, there is profound meaning in the liturgy and in all that we do as Catholics. Too often, we may view certain actions, prayers, or ceremonies as tedious or insignificant. Yet, when we take the time to study them more deeply, we discover that they are rich with symbolism and firmly rooted in Sacred Scripture.

I encourage you to explore the faith and her traditions, especially those practices that may at first seem tiresome or difficult to understand. In doing so, you may discover a depth of beauty, purpose, and meaning that draws you closer to Christ and to His Church.

Ad Jesum per Mariam,

Mr. Seth Rinderle



Sacramental Information

Wedding Banns

- III Zach Niekamp & Natalie Hrycko
- III Joshua Thoma & Emma Rohrer
- II Grant Meyer & Anna Stimpert

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.

Newly Baptized

Holy Trinity

Rose Shirley Schwieterman
Child of Dylan & Rachel

Mason Joseph Bruggeman
Child of Nicholas & Kathy

Joseph Glenn Braun
Child of Jacoby & Abbi

Mary Help of Christians

Magnolia Margaret Stein
Child of Shawn & Hillary

Lilah June Hein
Child of Scott & Rachel

William Thomas Pottkotter
Child of Jason & Nicole



Marriage Congratulations!

Regan Martin & Kaylee Deeter
Married Saturday, June 6, 2026
(Mary Help of Christians)

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



In Loving Memory...

Wilda "Jean" Fortkamp
July 11, 1928 - June 4, 2026
(Holy Trinity)

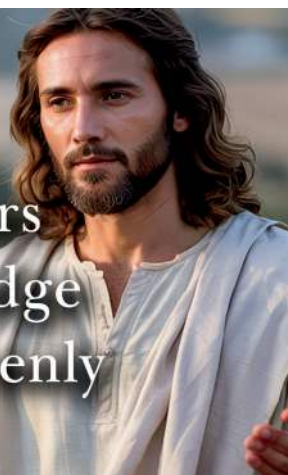
Janet E. Muhlenkamp
April 21, 1936 - June 5, 2026
(St. Anthony)

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

**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.



**"Everyone who
acknowledges
me before others
I will acknowledge
before my heavenly
Father."**



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 Classes

The Baptismal Class is required for all first-time parents and registration is needed prior to attendance. Please contact the Coldwater Parish office if you prefer baptism of your child at Holy Trinity, St. Anthony, or St. Mary. Please contact the Ft. Recovery Parish office if you prefer baptism of your child at Mary Help of Christians, St. Joseph, St. Paul, or St. Peter.

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

MEASURE UP CAMPAIGN (Fort Recovery Parishes) — Every year Knights of Columbus around Ohio collect and raise money to help people with developmental disabilities. This flagship program is the Measure Up campaign. The Fort Recovery council will use the money donated to benefit the Neurological Center and Mercer County DD. Donating is easy, on the weekend of June 27th - 28th and July 4th - 5th there will be Measure Up envelopes at the end of the pews at MHC, St. Joseph, St. Paul, and St. Peter churches. Simply put your donation in the envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you. Contact Calvin May @ (419) 852-6973 for any questions.

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY — Natalie Ashbaugh is now our Director of Youth Ministry for the Holy Cross Family of Parishes, overseeing both the Coldwater and Ft. Recovery Youth Groups. Congratulations, Natalie!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION — Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Be a sign of hope with your generosity. For more information, visit www.obolodisaniapietro.va/en.html.

FR. JOSEPH'S HYDERABAD MISSION COLLECTION — We will continue to accept donations for Fr. Joseph's Hyderabad Mission Collection until June 30th. Checks should be written to: Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Put Hyderabad Mission in the subject line. Thank you to everyone who has supported this appeal.

CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2026 - 2027 — Please see the Religious Education section of the bulletin for more information.

OFFICES CLOSED — Both parish offices will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2026 due to the 4th of July holiday.

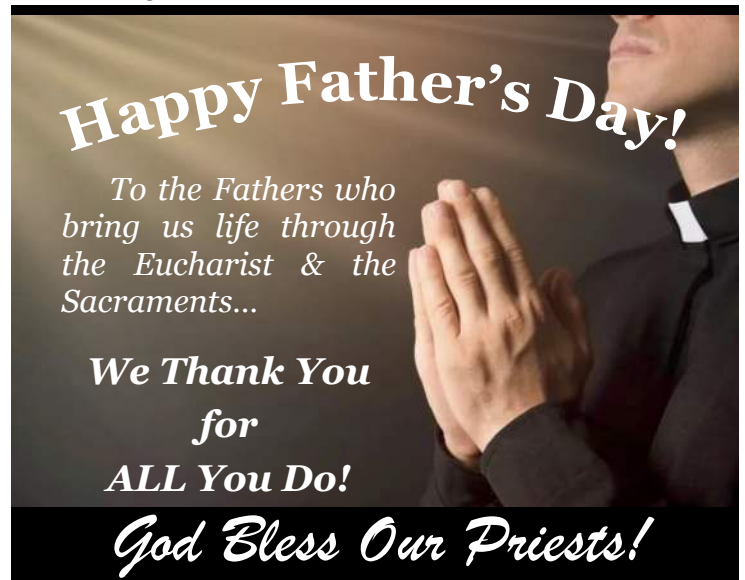
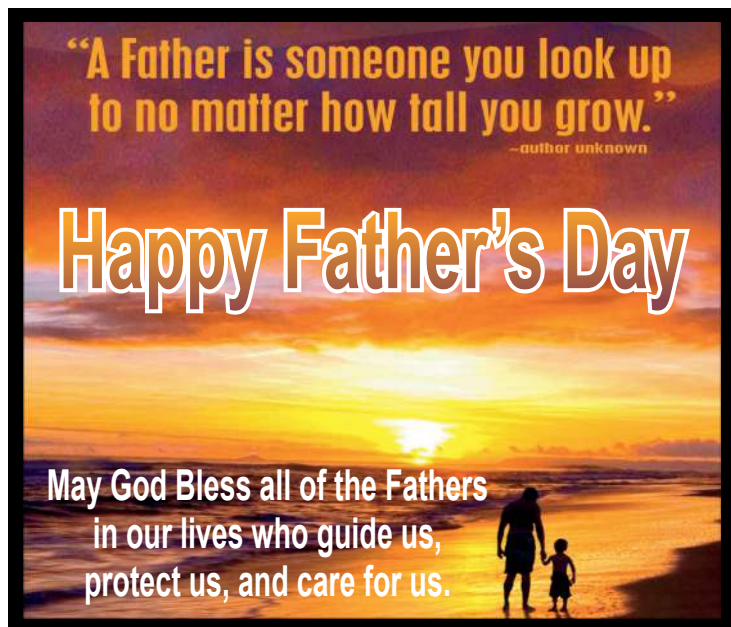
MASS CHANGES — Morning Masses will be held at 9 am at both Holy Trinity and Mary Help of Christians on Saturday, July 4, 2026. The regularly scheduled 9 am Mass at St. Joseph is canceled on this day. All Vigil Masses on July 4th will still be held as regularly scheduled.

NEW SACRISTAN TRAINING — This training is for any young woman from our parishes (rising 5th grader and up). Training will take place on Wednesday, June 24th at 5 pm at Holy Trinity and Thursday, June 25th at 5 pm at Mary Help of Christians. Sign ups are appreciated if attending but not necessary.

FALL SERVER TRAINING — There will be server training available again this fall for any boy who missed the summer server training during the last few weeks.

ST. ANTHONY BEAUTIFICATION UPDATE — The 4 pm Mass will be held at the St. Anthony School from Thursday, June 18th through Saturday, August 8th while the Sanctuary undergoes painting and new flooring installation. To ensure a safe and beautiful worship space, the church will be closed during this time for painting and scaffolding. Confession will continue to be offered before Mass in the 3rd classroom at the St. Anthony school.

MISSION LOTTERY WINNER — (5/27/26) Sawyer Jones, Fort Recovery, OH & (6/3/26) Vaughn Hipple, Coldwater, OH — Congratulations!



BULLETIN SUBMISSION NOTICE: Submissions must be received by 8:00 am, 10 days prior to the Sunday publication date unless otherwise noted. Submit info to bulletin.holycrossfop@gmail.com. Also, please follow submission guidelines at holycrossfop.org.



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.



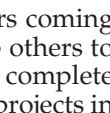
ANNOUNCEMENT — At times throughout the month of June we will be operating with only three priests during most weeks and some weekends as well. Please pray for Fr. Witt & Fr. Moore as they will be away at different times this month. The remaining priests will do their best to make things run as smoothly 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!

WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP — Meetings are suspended over the summer, starting back up on Thurs., Sept. 3, 2026.

MEN'S GROUP — Meetings are suspended over the summer, picking back up sometime in the fall of 2026. The restart date will be determined closer to that time.

SCAM WARNING — Please ignore any email, phone, or text messages supposedly from Fr. Witt asking you to purchase anything. These are fraudulent messages from someone trying to scam parishioners. Also, AI can be used to fake phone numbers, email addresses, and other forms of communication. Please be aware if you are being asked for personal information, especially in association with financial inquiries. These are more than likely fraudulent. We have especially been seeing a rise in fraudulent emails and text messages.

ADULT EVANGELIZATION ANNOUNCEMENT — It's exciting to see so many of our parishioners coming forward with ideas to encourage and help others to grow in their faith. In order to maintain a complete picture of all proposed and active events/projects in our parishes, we would like any individual or group with a proposal for a new event or project to complete the "Adult Faith Formation Event/Project Submission Form" that is available on our website at <https://www.holycrossfop.org/get-involved> or use the QR Code. As Director of Adult Evangelization, Cindy Muhlenkamp will review the information provided and present to Fr. Witt for approval as well as ensure the proposal does not create a conflict with upcoming events/projects. We would also like existing group leaders to complete the form when a new book, study, or event is being planned. Contact Cindy if you have any questions, (419) 678-4802.



PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT



*Tournament Details Subject to Change

@ COLDWATER MEMORIAL PARK

DURING LOCAL U.S.A. 250th CELEBRATION

Tournament Benefits Holy Cross Family of Parishes Evangelization

FRIDAY, JULY 3rd
Kids @ 5 pm
Challenge-the-Priest @ 6 pm

SATURDAY, JULY 4th
Ladies Doubles @ 8 am
Men's Doubles @ 1 pm

SUNDAY, JULY 5th
Mixed Doubles @ 12 pm

\$20 Per Kid Team Ages 12-17 Limit 12 Teams

\$30 Per Adult Team Ages 18+ Limit 8 Teams max per Group per Division

Level of Play for Saturday & Sunday:

CHOOSE ONE: COMPETITIVE 3.0+ SOCIAL (Beginners)

****PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED****
Register On-line By June 26th

Prizes: T-SHIRTS



REGISTER NOW

For more info.: holycrossfop.org/events-activities
Inclement Weather: Events will not be rescheduled
Thank You for the Donation!

Join our Pilgrimage to the Beatification of Ven. Archbishop Fulton Sheen September 23 - 24, 2026



- Vespers are at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis.
- Time will be available to explore downtown St. Louis and visit the Gateway Arch.
- Beatification Mass is at the Dome at America's Center.
- A block of rooms has been reserved in Collinsville, IL. Breakfast will be provided at the hotel on 9/24/26. The rate is \$126 for a double queen room. (Your completed registration with the hotel needs to be made by August 14, 2026, to get the guaranteed rate.)
- In addition to the room there will be a \$50/person cost for the charter bus.
- Extra money is needed for lunch and dinner on 9/23/26 and lunch and dinner on 9/24/26.

Contact Cindy Muhlenkamp to sign up for the trip and for registration details at 419-678-4802 or cmuhlenkamp.holycrossfop@gmail.com

JOIN A CANA SMALL GROUP

THE CANA EXPERIENCE
A Catholic Small Group Series
for Parents of Young Children

Today.

- Each meeting includes a reflection on a Gospel passage, followed by conversations on church teachings and readings from *Letter to Women, Redemptoris Mater (Mother of the Redeemer)* and *Mulieris Dignitatem (The Dignity and Vocation of Women)*, all written by St. John Paul II.
- The program consists of four consecutive years and you will journey with the same group as each year builds on the previous one. Year 1-Motherhood, Year 2-Marriage, Year 3-Prayer, Year 4-Called to Act
- If interested in joining a year 1 group or would like more information, reach out to Jamie Fortkamp (567-644-2305) by July 1st

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. These requirements can also be found on the bulletin page of our website.

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

PARISH FACILITY USAGE — Any parish groups in association with Holy Trinity, St. Anthony, or St. Mary that wish to use parish facilities for meetings or other events need to contact the Coldwater parish office to ensure we have no over bookings.

MISCARRIAGE KITS — Miscarriage kits are now available at any time, day or night, in the main entrance of Holy Trinity's Grotto. Kits are in white boxes featuring the Morgan's Place logo. Please know that you are not alone during this difficult time, and the kits are being provided to help you honor your baby. Information and assistance from Morgan's Place can be found at <https://www.morgansplacecemetery.org>

SAFE PARISH — Are you willing to occasionally assist our youth programs in ways such as driving for field trips, volunteering at events, and more? We are always looking for people who are 18 years and older to help us out! If you are interested in being added to our SafeParish list of adults, or would like more information, please contact Kathy Portz at kathyportz@gmail.com or Charmaine Bettinger at cbettinger.holycrossfop@gmail.com.

HEARING ASSIST

Helping our parishioners hear during Mass!

Bluetooth Connection
for hearing aids
is available at
Holy Trinity
&
Mary Help of Christians







Please stop by either parish office for instructions and/or assistance if needed.

Stewardship

Did You Know?

ACH Giving

Would you like to simplify your weekly contribution to the church? Our ACH option allows you to make contributions to support our parish ministries without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. ACH allows you to set up automatic contributions and you may change the amount of your gift at any time. ACH stands for "Automatic Clearing House". ACH is a fully digital method of withdrawing money from your checking or savings account.

Benefits of ACH include:

- No need to hassle with checks or cash
- Allows you to give even if you are unable to attend your parish services
- Contribution amount is easily adjusted as needed
- No credit card fees assessed to the church

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.

Contributions

June 1 - 7, 2026

Mary Help of Christians		Holy Trinity	
Offertory.....	\$4,993.00	Offertory.....	\$ 6,823.00
Youth Group	\$ 120.00	Loose.....	\$ 3,588.00
Cemetery.....	\$ 35.00	Total.....	\$10,411.00
Hyderabad, India.....	\$ 100.00	Candles.....	\$ 205.00
Allocated Loose	\$1,132.51		
St. Joseph		St. Anthony	
Offertory.....	\$1,440.00	Offertory.....	\$ 834.00
Allocated Loose	\$ 236.50	Loose.....	\$ 251.00
		Total.....	\$ 1,085.00
St. Paul		Perm. Improvement.....	\$ 20.00
Offertory.....	\$2,007.00	Cemetery.....	\$ 15.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$3,700.00		
Hyderabad, India.....	\$ 100.00	St. Mary	
Allocated Loose	\$ 482.61	Offertory.....	\$ 1,000.00
		Loose.....	\$ 435.00
St. Peter		Total.....	\$ 1,435.00
Offertory.....	\$2,245.00	Perm. Improvement.....	\$ 94.00
Maintenance	\$1,160.00	Hyderabad, India.....	\$ 1,080.00
Hyderabad, India.....	\$ 200.00		
Allocated Loose	\$ 382.63		

Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Information



Holy Trinity

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER — We are 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, Aug. \$5,100, Sept. \$11,200, Oct. \$26,300, Nov. \$18,009, Dec. \$20,536, Jan. \$25,683, Feb. \$17,029, Mar. \$13,988, Apr. \$7,475.00, and May \$13,345 for an average of \$14,815. 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. Thank you for your generosity!

BRIARWOOD DRIVE — The social action committee is collecting personal items for the residents at Briarwood until June 21st. Items needed: Large or small kleenex boxes, chapstick, liquid body wash, lotions for dry skin, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and bars of soap. Please place items in the designated bins in the church entrances.



Mary Help of Christians

DOUGHNUT SUNDAYS — This will be held once a month during the summer. Free doughnuts will be available after the 9:00 am Mass at Mary Help of Christians. The dates are July 12th and August 9th held in the Undercroft, but if the weather is nice, it may be held outside. This is being sponsored and held by the Ignite young adult's group.



St. Anthony

GATHERING FOR FELLOWSHIP — Every 2nd Thurs. of the month, at 8 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! Join in at the church and pub or either of the two. Questions or opinions please call (419) 852-8741.

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE — This years garage sale will be in September. More information will follow. If anyone has any questions, please call (419) 852-8741.



St. Mary

PATRIOTIC ROSARY — Rosary is held every Tuesday at 7:30 pm at St. Mary Church.

PHILOTHEA SCHOOL HALL

— The ramp is being redone now through July 18, 2026. Be aware that the school hall will not be handicap accessible during this time.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — St. Mary will be celebrating their 175th Anniversary on Sept. 13th. We are looking for volunteers to help plan the event. Please text or call Jeff Timmerman at (419) 305-0745 to sign up.

175TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT — We are looking for any stories, history, photos, etc. regarding the church, past families/events - anything people would love to see or hear about. Please include any dates or information you may have, even a phone call with a fun story would be extremely appreciated. Send, call or text Barb Uhlenhake at (419) 953-0582 or email at Uhlenhake7@gmail.com - Thank you!



St. Joseph

SAVE THE DATE — The 43rd St. Joe Homecoming Festival will be on September 11 - 13, 2026. More information to follow.

ST. JOE FESTIVAL — Sign up sheets are in the back of church, please sign up to work shifts by August 6th. Chairmen/ Co Chairs: there will be a meeting August 6th at 6:30 pm at the shelter house. Please place your non-perishable donations in the back of church for the country store.

THANK YOU — We would like to thank Father Barry Stechschulte and the servers for a beautiful Mass for Mike Stein. Thank you to Ginny Fortkamp for her guidance, the choir for the beautiful music, and the luncheon committee for providing a wonderful meal. Thank you also to the community for your support during this difficult time.

- *The Family of Mike Stein*


CLEANING — (JUNE) **Paige Schulze, Barb Schoenherr, Aimee Pottkotter, Annette Schmitt, Jenny Acheson, Claire Barlage, Michelle Stammen




St. Paul

EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS

NEEDED — The hours between Noon and 4 pm on Thursday afternoons are greatly in need of more **committed** Eucharistic Adorers. (Two committed adorers needed per each time slot to ensure Our Lord is not left alone.) Time slots can be filled for an hour, a half hour, or you could share a time slot each month with a group, therefore only committing to one time slot per month. **High school and junior high students**, have you thought of spending time at Eucharistic Adoration? Did you know that Eucharistic Adoration can also be listed on your college applications and counted as community service. Please consider spending some of your precious time with Jesus. You may text or leave a voicemail for Rita McEldowney at (937) 621-3126.



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St. Peter

COMMUNITY CENTER CLEANING

Cleaning of the community center classrooms at

St. Peter will be on Monday June 29th. Doors will be open at 7 am until 9 pm or when finished cleaning. Please bring buckets and rags with you. Those on committee are: Chair - Jane Hipple, Co-Chair - Anna Post, Lisa Kahlig, Katie Diller, Lisa Ontrop, Ginny Schoenlein, Kim Rammel, Chelsea Overman, Andrea Rammel, Elle Dues, Alison Will, Evelyn Will, Jessica Kremer, Casey Evers, Taylor Timmerman, Madelyn Link, Sarah Rindler, Mary Lou Daniels, Rachel Siegrist, Brooke Pugh, Jenny Schoenlein, Sydney Klosterman, and Angie Roessner. If you are unable to help please find a substitute. Many hands make light work. Thanks for your time and help.

CAFETERIA CLEANING — It's cafeteria spring cleaning time. Please come either 7/7/26 or 7/8/26 at 5:00 pm. Otherwise the doors will be open all day for your convenience, and you can come when you can make it. Please write down whatever you cleaned. Bring your own buckets and rags. Please find a replacement if you can't make it. Thank you. Cathy Link, Pat Guggenbiller, Lynn Link, Karen Timmerman, Theresa Heinrichs, Darlene Sudhoff, Amy Dues, Debra Kahlig, Kelsey Dues, Angie Koester, Lisa Dues, Brenda Kunk, Katie Alig, Kelsey Grieshop, Brittany Siefiring, Teresa Meyer, Valerie Heitkamp, Peyton Dues, Ruth Siefiring, Sarah Sudhoff, Jamie Albers, Lisa Braun

St. Peter's Church Carnival

Sunday, July 19 2:00 - 5:00 pm



Games are open to all ages, even the adults are welcome to participate!

All proceeds go back to St. Peter: the Easter egg hunt, new basketball poles, gaga pit, and sandbox were all funded by previous Carnival proceeds.

A tote will be in the back of St. Peter Church if anyone is willing to donate items for the junk food stand.

Want to volunteer? Text 937-802-0509

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.

St. Peter Carnival's Chicken Dinners

Broasted Chicken from Brick Street

Sunday, July 19, 2026

4:30-5:30pm

Carryout only @ St. Peter Hall



Number of Dinners x \$10.00 each

TOTAL Amount Enclosed

DINNERS RESERVED FOR (Name):

Phone #



ORDER OPTIONS: turn in this form, text your order to 937-802-0509, OR use QR code

PAYMENT OPTIONS: Venmo @mjgaerke, drop envelope in any Holy Cross Parish collection basket, Brick Street Tavern, either Church Office, or any Carnival Committee Member: Mary Gaerke, Stacy Link, Betsy Overman, Rachel Pottkotter, Betsy Sutter

Make checks payable to St. Peter Carnival RETURN ORDERS BY: JULY 10, 2026

- Go to FORMED.org
Click "Find Your Parish Subscription" (top right), find our parish, & enter zip code: 45828.



- Make an account by entering your name and email, then you are good to go!



Religious Education

Coldwater Religious Ed.

Contact: Stephanie Rutschilling
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ATTENTION:

CCD REGISTRATION — Registration is open for the 2026-2027 CCD year. Please register your family by scanning the QR code or by visiting the Religious Education page of our website: holycrossfop.org. Registration is due July 1st.



HOLY TRINITY TEACHERS NEEDED:

Grades 1 - 5 - 3:15 - 4:30 pm session: 3 teachers

Grades 1 - 4 - 6:30 - 7:45 pm session: 1 teacher

Grades 5 - 8 - 6:30 - 7:45 pm session: 4 teachers

High School - 8:00 - 9:15 pm session: 2 teachers

VOLUNTEERS FOR NIGHT RUNNERS — Crosswalk and hall monitoring is needed at the Middle School and Fr. Yauss Center during the 6:30 pm religion session.

2026/2027 SACRAMENT DATES:

COMBINED HCFOP CONFIRMATION RETREAT — Sunday, October 4th from 12:00 - 5:30 pm

CONFIRMATION MASS — Sunday, October 18th at 2:30 pm @ Holy Trinity Church.

COMBINED DRAGON SLAYERS RETREAT — **Please note the change of date:** Saturday, January 16th

FIRST RECONCILIATIONS — St. Anthony - February 13th @ 10:00 am, Holy Trinity - February 27th @ 9:00 am, St. Mary - March 6th @ 10:00 am

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES — Holy Trinity - 4:30 pm on April 10th (half of grade), Holy Trinity - 10:00 am on April 11th (half of grade), St. Anthony - 4:00 pm on April 17th, St. Mary - 12:00 pm on April 18th.

Fort Recovery Religious Ed.

Contact: Harlie Metzger
hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com, (419) 375-4153

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MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS TEACHER NEEDED:

5th Grade - 7 Sacraments, How to Pray the Rosary, Types of Prayer

7th Grade - Gospel Messages, Grace/Virtue, 7 Sacraments

PS/KG - Sunday Gospels, during 9:00 am Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays (Oct. - Apr.)

ST. PETER/ST. JOSEPH TEACHERS NEEDED:

5th Grade - 7 Sacraments, How to Pray the Rosary, Types of Prayer

Teacher Aid - 3rd Grade, responsible for helping with writing/reading/crafts/etc. Will not be responsible for planning lessons

PS/KG - Sunday Gospels, during 11:00 am Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays (Oct. - Apr.)

***All lesson plans and supplies will be provided to you. There are 28 class nights in total. Please contact Harlie Metzger at hmetzger.holycrossfop@gmail.com with any questions or to learn more!**

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COMBINED DRAGON SLAYERS RETREAT — **Please note the change of date:** Saturday, January 16th

CONFIRMATION MASS — Sunday, January 24th at 1:00 pm @ Mary Help of Christians Church.

FIRST RECONCILIATIONS — St. Peter - Saturday, February 13th @ 10:00 am, St. Paul - March 6th @ 10:00 am, Mary Help of Christians - March 13th @ 10:00 am

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES — Mary Help of Christians - 4:30 pm on April 10th, St. Peter - 11:00 am on April 11th, St. Paul - 11:00 am on April 18th.

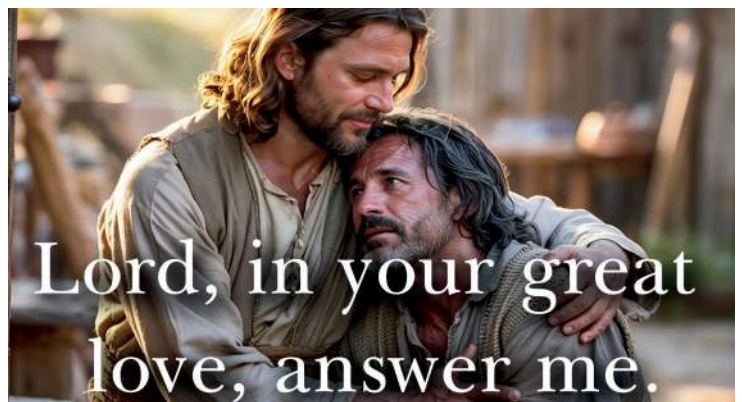
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Youth Ministry

Coldwater Youth Group

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

MEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY — held weekly on Saturdays in Sanderell Hall after the St. Joseph 9 am Mass.

SUMMER COFFEE W/ CHRIST — held weekly on Tuesdays at Rooster Joe's at 8:15 am

Fort Fiat Youth Group

Contact: Natalie Ashbaugh
nashbaugh.holycrossfop@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ONGOING FORMS — If your child would like to participate in any youth events starting June 2026 - May 2027, please use the QR code to fill out a permission form.



HS REC NIGHTS — High School rec nights began June 1st, and will occur biweekly from 7:30 - 9:00 pm at MHC.

MS REC NIGHTS — Middle School rec night began June 8th, and will occur every other week from 7:30 - 9:00 pm at MHC.

MEN'S GROUP BIBLE STUDY — All 7th - 12th grade boys are invited to Fr. Witt's bible study on Monday nights at 7:30 at MHC. The bible study began June 1st (7th - 12th grade).

SILENCING THE LIES CAMPOUT

AT MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

JULY 26TH - JULY 27TH

OPEN TO ALL HOLY CROSS FAMILY GIRLS
INCOMING 9TH - 12TH GRADES

Silencing the Lies is a faith-filled overnight camping retreat designed especially for high school girls who desire deeper confidence, authentic friendship, and freedom in Christ. Inspired by the book *Sincerely, Stoneheart* by Emily Wilson Hussem, this retreat invites girls to uncover the subtle lies the enemy whispers and replace them with the life-giving truth of God.



SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT NATALIE

NASHBAUGH.HOLYCROSSFOP@GMAIL.COM OR 419-852-7816

Holy Cross Youth Groups

KINGS ISLAND

TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

DEPARTURE MASS AT 9:00 AM AT MHC
COST: \$40 PER PERSON.

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR MONEY TO NATALIE OR
BRING IT TO ONE OF THE PARISH OFFICES.

PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH TO
EAT ON THE WAY

WE WILL LEAVE THE PARK AT 6:00 PM AND STOP FOR
FAST FOOD ON THE WAY HOME. PLEASE BRING
EXTRA MONEY TO PURCHASE DINNER.

ESTIMATED RETURN TIME IS 9:00 PM



DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS FRIDAY JULY 3RD

Saints of the Week — Saint Thomas More

Thomas More's belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the Church of Christ cost him his life. Beheaded on Tower Hill, London, on July 6, 1535, More steadfastly refused to approve King Henry VIII's



Feast Day: June 22nd

divorce and remarriage and establishment of the Church of England. Described as "a man for all seasons," Thomas More was a literary scholar, eminent lawyer, gentleman, father of four children, and chancellor of England. An intensely spiritual man, he would not support the king's divorce from Catherine of Aragon in order to marry Anne Boleyn. Nor would he acknowledge Henry as supreme head of the Church in England, breaking with Rome, and denying the pope as head. More was committed to the Tower of London to await trial for treason: not swearing to the Act of Succession and the Oath of Supremacy. Upon conviction, More declared he had all the councils of Christendom and not just the council of one realm to support him in the decision of his conscience.

- Information obtained from franciscanmedia.org

Community Interests

CELEBRATE YOUR JUBILEE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WITH ARCHBISHOP CASEY — Couples celebrating jubilee anniversaries (25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc.) in 2026 are invited to Mass with Archbishop Casey on November 15 (Cincinnati) or November 21 (Dayton). Family members are welcome to attend as well, and a special blessing will be offered for the jubilant couples. Couples should RSVP online by November 2 at www.catholicaoc.org/goldenjubilée.

SUMMER CHAPEL TOURS — From Memorial Day until Labor Day, the Shrine is offering free Chapel tours on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10 am. Meet in the Gathering Space, across from reception.

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.

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 in the east room of Holy Trinity's Grotto, Coldwater. Meetings are open, anonymous, & free.

FOLLOW & PRAY WITH ARCHBISHOP CASEY — Follow Archbishop Casey at: Instagram: @archbishopcasey and/or Facebook: facebook.com/archbishopcasey

COMEDY FUNDRAISING EVENT — Join us on Saturday, October 10th, at the Osgood Community Veterans Center for an unforgettable evening of laughter featuring comedian Shayne Smith. Doors open at 5:00 pm with food trucks and a cash bar available before the show begins at 7:30 pm. This 21+ fundraiser will support adult faith formation efforts at St. Henry Parish and the Holy Cross Family of Parishes. Tickets are \$52 and can be purchased by scanning the QR code or go to: <https://sthenryfamily.flocknote.com/signup/255629>.



SAVE THE DATE! CATHOLIC DAY AT GREAT CATHOLIC FAMILY NIGHT AT GREAT AMERICAN BALLPARK! — You are invited to join Archbishop Casey and Catholics from across the archdiocese at Catholic Family Night at Great American Ballpark on Saturday, Sept. 5, 2026, which is the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. The Cincinnati Reds will play the Milwaukee Brewers that evening at 6:40 p.m. Discounted tickets are now on sale through Reds ticketing at this link: <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Archdiocesecincinnati22>.

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.

SYNOD 2027 — Archbishop Casey has announced that we will conduct an archdiocese synod over the next two years, culminating with a general assembly in Fall 2027. Synod 2027 will offer us a collective opportunity to prayerfully listen to the Holy Spirit and to one another to discover anew the joy of discipleship, recognizing Christ in our midst and responding enthusiastically to His call. The latest on Synod 2027 can be found at catholicaoc.org/Synod2027.

SUMMER DAY WITH THE SAINTS — Summer! Sun! Saints! This is a fun and educational day for kids to enjoy at the Shrine and learn about the Saints. There will be saint-themed crafts, prayers, activities, and snacks. The same program is offered each day, choose between Monday, August 3rd, Tuesday, August 4th, or Wednesday, August 5th. Cost is \$10 per child and runs from 1 pm until 4 pm in the Shrine Courtyard. This event is for children entering 1st through 6th grades. To register, log onto mariasteinshrine.org. Space is limited.

CANCER PRAYER SERVICE AT THE SHRINE — The Shrine is pleased to be able to offer the St. Peregrine Relic for prayer and veneration. Three times per year a prayer service is held for those who are on a journey with cancer, whether it be as a patient or as a caregiver. The next service will be held on Sunday, July 12th at 2 pm in the Shrine's Adoration Chapel. This event is free and open to the public. All who have been affected by cancer are encouraged to attend. For those battling cancer, you can submit your name or a loved one's name for prayer. Please contact Caleb Gaier at (419) 925-4532 or c.gaier@mariasteinshrine.org. The Shrine is located at 2291 St. John's Rd. in Maria Stein. For more event information, visit www.mariasteinshrine.org.

HOLY FACE OF JESUS PARISH: 4th of July 4:30 pm Vigil Mass MOVED to Auglaize Co. Fairgrounds. — As part of the St. Joseph Festival, the 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday, July 4th will be held at the Auglaize County Fairgrounds (1001 Fairview Dr., Wapakoneta, OH 45895) instead of St. Joseph Church, Wapakoneta. Mass will be held at the east end of the Miller Building. There will not be confessions before that Mass. Thank you for your understanding!

BIBLE, BOURBON, & BROS — Calling all men! We are back for an exciting evening! Join us, on Thursday, June 25th at The Loramie Brewing Co. for a talk by Matt Eilerman as we look more into how to practically live out our Catholic Faith on a daily basis as men. Social starts at 7:00 pm and the talk will begin at 7:30 pm. Lawn chairs are welcomed.

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.

2026 FARM MASS — Come celebrate with us on Friday, June 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm at Scott and Shelly Hartings Farm, 345 Cranberry Rd., St. Henry, Ohio. Archbishop Robert Casey will preside. We will recognize new Century Family Farms and enjoy refreshments afterwards. Please bring lawn chairs. Questions, contact: Jillian Foster at ifoster@catholicaoc.org or (513) 448-8994.

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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