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Family Offices

Holy Trinity

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

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



Mary Help of Christians

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

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



Website:

www.holycrossfop.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/holycrossfop



St. Anthony



St. Joseph



St. Mary



St. Paul



St. Peter

Sunday, July 19, 2026
Sixteenth 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, July 20 <i>Saint Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr; opt. mem.</i>	Leroy & Jim Heyne †	FBS	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	Natalie Siegrist †	FAW	6:45 pm	St. Peter	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, July 21 <i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church; opt. mem.</i>	David & Eileen Sieftring †	FEM	7:15 am	St. Mary	After Mass
	L/D Walter & Katherine Bergman Family †	FJP	6:45 pm	St. Joseph	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, July 22 <i>Saint Mary Magdalene; Feast</i>	Dorothy Gaerke †	FAW	7:15 am (L/S)	MHC	After Mass
	Herb Buffenbarger †	FBS	Noon (L/S)	Holy Trinity	11:30 am - end
Thursday, July 23 <i>Saint Bridget, Religious; opt. mem.</i>	L/D Leo Schoen Family †	FAW	7:15 am	St. Paul	After Mass
	L/D Wilbur & Mary Ann Homan †	FBS	6:45 pm	St. Anthony (School Hall)	5:45 - 6:30 pm
Friday, July 24 <i>Saint Sharbel Makhlof, Priest; opt. mem.</i>	Richard Alig †	FAW	7:15 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	After Mass
	L/D Gene & Barb Lennartz Family †	FBS	Noon (L/S)	MHC	11:30 am - end
Saturday, July 25 <i>Saint James, Apostle; Feast</i>	John M. Brown †	FJP	9:00 am	St. Joseph	After Mass
	Huelsman / Gilliland Wedding	FJP	1:30 pm	Holy Trinity	N/A
	Jacobs / Grube Wedding	FAH	1:30 pm	MHC	N/A
	Kuether / Diller Wedding	FEM	1:30 pm	St. Peter	N/A
	Jim Timmerman †	FAW	4:00 pm	St. Anthony (School Hall)	3:15 - 3:45 pm
	Ralph & Dennis Broeker †	FBS	4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	3:45 - 4:15 pm
	Ralph Evers †	FEM	4:30 pm (L/S)	MHC	3:45 - 4:15 pm
Sunday, July 26 <i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	L/D Joe & Marie † Pottkotter Family	FEM	7:00 am	St. Joseph	N/A
	Members of Holy Cross Family of Parishes	FAW	8:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	7:25 - 7:45 am
	Fred Schmitz †	FJP/DRK	9:00 am (L/S)	MHC	8:25 - end
	Richard Alig †	FBS	10:00 am (L/S)	Holy Trinity	9:25 - 9:45 am
	Jeff Knapke †	FJP	11:00 am	St. Paul	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Dale Sutter †	FEM	11:00 am	St. Peter	10:25 - 10:45 am
	Bart Sieftring †	FAW	Noon	St. Mary	11:25 - 11:45 am
	Pat Muhlenkamp †	FBS	6:00 pm	Holy Trinity	5:15 - 5:45 pm

MASSSES ONLINE — Watch Masses at Holy Trinity & Mary Help of Christians online, indicated by (L/S) with the time. Masses are also archived and viewable on a later day and can be accessed on the website: holycrossfop.org (Masses are also streamed to Youtube. For Holy Trinity search: Coldwater Cluster, then click on the logo and subscribe. For Mary Help of Christians search: mhc-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); Fr. Aaron Hess (FAH)
 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, July 22, 7:15 am

Server: Chase Fiely
Lector: Pauline Faller

Friday, July 24, 12:00 pm

Server: Xavier Bruns
Lector: Julie Schmitz

Saturday, July 25, 4:30 pm

Servers: John Bihn, Tucker Huntsman, Owen Wenning
Lector: Diane Siegrist

EMHC: Irene Roessner, Mark Roessner

Sacristan: Linda Lennartz

Ushers: Floyd Bergman, Don Lennartz, LaVern Grube, Jeff Fullenkamp

Sunday, July 26, 9:00 am

Servers: Chase Fiely, Milo Fiely, Grant Pearson, Will Addington

Lector: Sean Kahlig

EMHC: Wes Kahlig, Deacon Roger Kaiser

Sacristan: Roger & Cheryl Wenning, Mackenzie Kahlig

Ushers: Harry Hart, Chuck Keller, Mike Laux, Mark Metzger

– St. Joseph –

Tuesday, July 21, 6:45 pm

Servers: Tyler Dues, Levi Sutter
Lector: Paige Schulze

Sacristan: Norma Pottkotter

Saturday, July 25, 9:00 am

Server: Blaise Bergman

Lector: Jane Hipple

Sacristan: Danielle Schulze

Sunday, July 26, 7:00 am

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

Lector: Karen Bertke

EMHC: Aimee Pottkotter

Sacristan: Christa Fullenkamp

Ushers: Mel Bertke, Bryan Pottkotter

– St. Paul –

Thursday, July 23, 7:15 am

Servers: Korbin Wuebker, Hayden Wuebker

Sunday, July 26, 11:00 am

Servers: Landon Sudhoff, Vance Tobe, Gabe Fullenkamp, Blaine Fullenkamp

Lector: Jackie Evers

EMHC: Jackie Evers, Carl Link

Ushers: Jared Rindler, Jared Hemmelgarn

Rosary: Mark & Marylene Brunswick

– St. Peter –

Monday, July 20, 6:45 pm

Server: Chris Timmerman

Lector: Nathan Fortkamp

Sunday, July 26, 11:00 am

Servers: Coby Schmitz, Hoyt Schmitz, Braxton Schmitz, Corbyn Schmitz, Tyler Kahlig, Tate Kahlig

Lector: Lisa Roessner

EMHC: Lisa Roessner

Sacristan: Lisa Roessner

Ushers: Doug Kahlig, Mitchell Pugh

– Holy Trinity –

Monday, July 20, 7:15 am

Servers: Carter Heitkamp, Owen Heitkamp, Gavin Heitkamp

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Wednesday, July 22, 12:00 pm

Servers: Samuel Gerlach, Oliver Link, Jude Link

Lector: Rene Klosterman

Sacristans: Peyton Link, Emma Gerlach

Friday, July 24, 7:15 am

Servers: Lucas Broering, Leo Huelskamp, Henry Broering

Lector: Rita Riethman

Saturday, July 25, 4:30 pm

Servers: Sam Grigsby, David Dues, Alex Schwieterman

Lector: Yvonne Dues

EMHC: Denny Riethman, Michelle Wilker, Nate Wenning

Sunday, July 26, 8:00 am

Servers: Samuel Gerlach, Blake Wenning, A.J. Alig, Lincoln Homan

Lector: Paul Howell

EMHC: Chuck Wenning, Adam Alig

Sunday, July 26, 10:00 am

Servers: Lucas Broering, Mason Evers, John Evers, Henry Broering

Lector: Tessy Huwer

EMHC: Karen Stammen, Scott Noonan, Brooke Stammen

Sunday, July 26, 6:00 pm

Servers: Levi Sutter, Emmett Wermert, Carson Wermert

Lector: Kim Rose

EMHC: Amy Klingshirn, Sarah Klosterman

– St. Anthony –

Thursday, July 23, 6:45 pm (Mass in School Hall)

Server: Leo Grigsby

Lector: Marty Knapke

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Saturday, July 25, 4:00 pm (Mass in School Hall)

Servers: Mason Alig, Logan Alig

Lector: Janet Brockman

EMHC: Donna Sudhoff

Sacristan: Janet Brockman

Ushers: Jeff Sudhoff, Patrick Forshoefel

Rosary: Marty Knapke

– St. Mary –

Tuesday, July 21, 7:15 am

Servers: Lincoln Homan, Leo Huelskamp

Lector: Stephanie Wendel

Sunday, July 26, 12:00 pm

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

Lector: Vicki Dues

EMHC: Jennifer Uhlenhake

Ushers: Dustin Uhlenhake, Nick Uhlenhake



Message from a Religious Sister

Respond with a Generous 'Yes'

On June 29th, I entered the Carmelite Monastery of the Holy Name of Jesus in Denmark, WI, but my vocation story did not start there. It began as how we begin the Prayer for Vocations, "Almighty Father, You have created us for some definite purpose." At my Baptism it took root and at Confirmation it started to bear fruit. After receiving Confirmation on October 7, 2012, every time I would pray the words, "Bless us with Consecrated Religious" in the Prayer for Vocations at Mass, I would experience a stirring in my heart. Recognizing that this might be a vocational calling, I actively started to pray the prayer differently, whispering "consecrated religious" and zealously proclaiming "faithful husband and wives", all in an effort to make God shift His will to mine. (Spoiler: It didn't work!) Though I was saying "no" to religious life, I was saying "yes" to God's other promptings. During my senior year of high school, I started going to Mass on average 5 days a week just to be with Him.

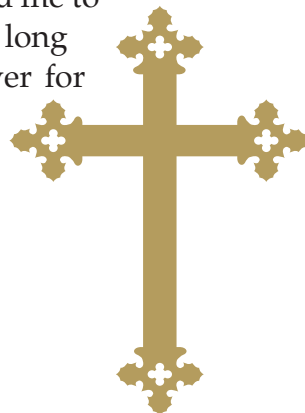
In college and into my professional career, the allurements of the world and my will took control. I started to push God aside until I wanted nothing to do with Him except use Him as a scapegoat when my life wasn't going the way I planned. Though even then, religious life came up, but at the time, I could not fathom how someone could live such a radical life.

In July of 2020, I moved to Wisconsin and everything changed. Through the intercession of St. Katharine Drexel (my Confirmation Saint) and a priest's homily, I started to fully participate in the Sacraments again. Then, when I again felt a call to discern religious life, I was finally ready to say 'yes' but with my own stipulations: 'no' to Franciscans and 'no' to cloisters, because a cloister was a beautiful vocation...for someone else. I ended up becoming a missionary with the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal (CFRs) where I worked with the poor in New Jersey. Living, working, and being formed by religious sisters helped open my heart to God's will. While with the sisters in adoration, I was praying with Hosea 2:14, "I will allure her, and bring her into the desert, and speak tenderly to her heart." Feeling a longing to be totally His, I gave my full 'yes' (without any stipulations) to whatever He desired for me, even a cloistered contemplative life. Instantly, I was filled with joy and peace. I followed that joy and peace to discern with the Carmelites.

If you were to put together a puzzle of myself, everything that I have learned about Carmelites and experienced thus far with the Nuns has felt like another puzzle piece that perfectly fits because God has drawn me to a place where I can be, in every way, authentically me, how He created me to be. My story is not over; He continues to draw me to Himself, and I know that as long as I remain open to His will there will be joy. I continue to pray with the Prayer for Vocations, for all of you, that God will "Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous 'Yes.'" I also pray that each of you will pray the Prayer for Vocations with an open heart as well.

In Jesus,

Makenzie Timmerman



Sacramental Information

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.



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

Ivo Edward Schoen
Child of Andrew & Joetta

June Rose Forsthoefel
Child of Ross & Ericka



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

Wedding Banns

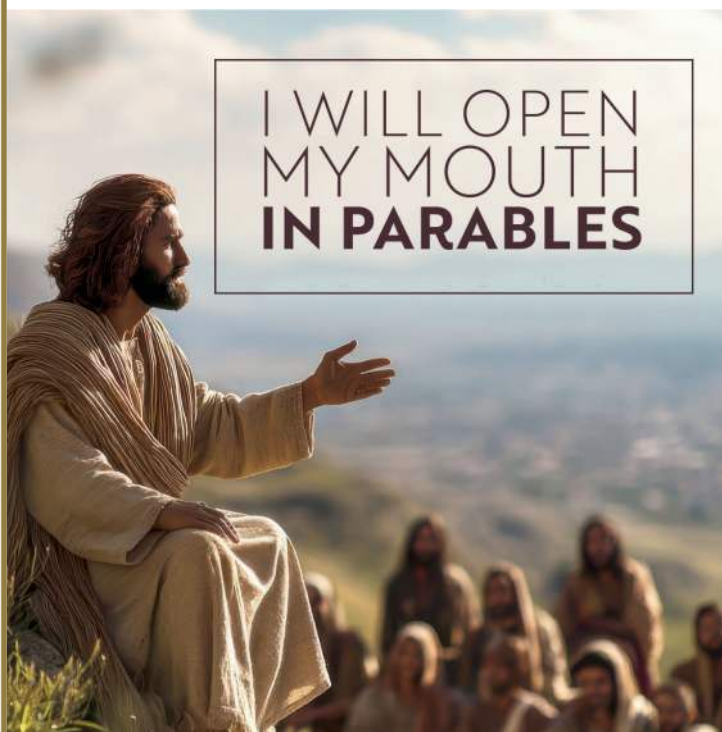
- III Charles Huelsman & Lauren Gilliland
- III Bernard Kuether & Abigail Diller
- III Isaac Jacobs & Faith Grube
- II Colin Knapke & Brooklyn Fiely
- I Preston Meyer & Brooke Dixon

And the two shall become one.

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.



Holy Cross Family of Parishes

COLDWATER K OF C SWEET CORN — As in years past, 5 sweet corn plots are planted with the hopes of offering sweet corn to the public over a 5 week window starting in early August. The selling location will again be on church grounds along OH 118 north of the Fr. Yauss Building. Please watch for the sidewalk sign and social media for selling days and times. The K of C wants to thank you for your continued support with this fundraiser.

ADORATION CANCELLATION — There will be NO Adoration held at St. Anthony on Thursdays before the 6:45 pm Mass until the completion of the current St. Anthony Church renovations.

CCD TEACHERS NEEDED — Please prayerfully consider teaching CCD for the upcoming 2026/2027 school year. More details are available in the Religious Education section of this bulletin. If interested in volunteering, or for questions, please contact Stephanie Rutschilling for the Coldwater Parishes or Harlie Metzger for the Ft. Recovery Parishes.

CCD REGISTRATION — Registration is still open for the Coldwater Parishes (there is limited space for the after school session). Volunteer hall monitors are needed. Volunteer teachers are also still needed (mainly for the 3:15 - 4:30 session). Please note: high school students can also volunteer teach. Please register by scanning the QR code or by going to the Holy Cross Family of Parishes website @ holycrossfop.org. Questions: contact the Coldwater Parish Office.



MISSION LOTTERY WINNER — (7/1/26) Lauren McDermitt, Arcanum, OH & (7/8/26) Ed Link, Fort Recovery, OH — Congratulations!

MEASURE UP CAMPAIGN (Coldwater Parishes) — Every year Knights of Columbus around Ohio collect and raise money to help individuals with developmental disabilities. This flagship program is the Measure Up campaign. The Coldwater council will use the money donated to benefit the Mercer County DD. Donating is easy. On the weekend of July 18th - 19th, there will be Measure Up envelopes at the end of the pews at Holy Trinity, St. Anthony, and St. Mary churches. Simply put your donation in the envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you. Contact Nathan Gruss at (419) 852-5197 for any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENT — At times throughout the month of July we will be operating with only three priests. Please pray for Fr. Moore and Fr. Joseph as they will be away at different times during 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!

Welcome New Members

St. Paul

Samuel & Sarah Muhlenkamp
along with their child Hazel



NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING
Designed by God
Guided by Love
Open to Life

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK
July 19-25, 2026



For more information on the Catholic teaching of Natural Family Planning go to usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning or use the QR Code.

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.



Synod 2027



Where is the Holy Spirit Leading Us?

As part of Synod 2027, Archbishop Casey invites each of us to participate in a Conversations in the Spirit listening session. Join others across our archdiocese in prayerfully considering what the Holy Spirit is asking of our Church at this time, thereby assisting Archbishop Casey as he establishes pastoral priorities for the future.

There are approximately 60 sessions scheduled between Labor Day and Thanksgiving.



Register today at
catholicaoc.org/conversations

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.

ADD/UPDATE INFORMATION FOR ONE CALL NOW — Holy Cross Family Parishioners are able to update their contact information for the One Call Now System via a link on our website, holycrossfop.org. Click on SIGN UP/EDIT ONE CALL on the left side of the screen. You can also add yourself to the groups that receive alerts regarding changes. Also, after signing up text the word "alert" to 22300 to receive text updates. These are very beneficial for CCD, Mass, & Adoration cancellations.

Reminder from the
SAFE ENVIRONMENT OFFICE
of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati

With summer activities in full swing, we would like to remind all parish/school employees and volunteers of the requirements of the *Decree on Child Protection*. All employees and volunteers are required to have completed **The Archdiocese of Cincinnati SafeParish™: Protecting Children From Sexual Abuse - Arch. of Cincinnati Edition**. In addition, employees are required to complete an online background check, manual fingerprinting, and B4 form once prior to beginning employment. Ohio Department of Education licensees may have additional requirements, and school offices or athletic departments should be consulted if there are any questions. Volunteers are required to complete an online background check prior to volunteering with youth. Employees and volunteers are required to stay current in completing SafeParish™ quarterly bulletins.

With the school year beginning for most in August, please make sure you are up to date on completing the quarterly bulletins or you will not be able to work/volunteer with youth until your SafeParish™ account is approved. Please direct questions regarding bulletin completion to your parish/school safe environment coordinator.



Family
Eucharistic Adoration

St. Joseph
Catholic Church
6:30 - 7:30 pm
Thursday, July 23, 2026

God Bless the U.S.A. w/ Fr. Moore

*There will be refreshments w/ outdoor games following Adoration.
(Please note: only the theme has changed for this event.)

REMINDER TO ALL VISITORS, BUSINESSES, & PARISHIONERS — We have a **No Soliciting Policy** on all of our church grounds. This includes all church properties within our entire Family of Parishes. It is not permitted to distribute any forms of advertising on any church premises including, but not limited to, the promotion of any type of event, activity, non-profit, or for profit information. All promotional materials in any format must be brought to the parish office for review. After review, if approved, the Holy Cross Family of Parishes staff will distribute all materials in their proper place. This policy ensures all materials are in line with the teachings of our Catholic faith and keeps our churches and church grounds orderly, neat, and clean. **Please note, it is prohibited at all times to distribute any materials on vehicles in our parking lots.** Additionally, for businesses wanting to advertise in our bulletin, you may directly contact Sherry Montell with Diocesan @ smontell@diocesan.com or 614-301-7444.

IGNITE — All young adults ages 18 – 24: If you're looking to grow in community and deepen your love for Jesus while navigating the joys and challenges of adulthood, we invite you to join IGNITE! Our gatherings are on Thursdays at 7 pm in the MHC Youth Group Room. Questions? Contact: Chase Kaiser (419) 268-8432 or Natalie Ashbaugh (419) 852-7816.

HOLY CROSS FAMILY OF PARISHES APPAREL — Products featuring our Holy Cross Family of Parishes logo are available continuously on our online store. In addition, specialty items are available at select times. Products can be purchased at https://designsemb.com/holy_cross/shop/home or by using the QR Code. Please contact either Holy Cross Family Parish Office if you are in need of assistance. Thank you for showing your faith and supporting our family of parishes!



GriefShare®

**Help and encouragement
after the death of a loved one**

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. At this 13-week group, you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

**Sessions begin Monday, August 24 weekly
through November 23 (no meeting on Labor Day)
6:30 – 8:00 PM**

**Mary Help of Christians Church Library
(enter the doors on the back side of church)**

**Please register on the GriefShare website
www.griefshare.org
– click on "Find a Group"**

**OR email, call or text Ginny Fortkamp
gfortkamp.holycrossfop@gmail.com
419-852-8960**

BECOMING CATHOLIC

OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation Of Adults



Holy Cross Family of Parishes (Holy Trinity, Mary Help of Christians, St. Anthony, St. Joseph, St. Mary, St. Paul and St. Peter Parishes) welcomes you as you explore a relationship with Jesus and the Church He founded. Our community will make this spiritual journey with you through the **ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** known as OCIA (formerly known as RCIA).

It is the process by which those who wish to explore the Catholic Faith are welcomed and introduced to the beliefs and practices of the Church. We will pray with you and help you form a deeper relationship with God the Father, His Son, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit through our study and through our conversations. We will study the Bible, the Sacraments, the Mass, the Ten Commandments, and so much more. We will explain Catholic practices and beliefs.

Our call to conversion lasts a lifetime. **The OCIA process in most cases takes less than a year. It starts in September and continues to April.**

There are situations in which this process takes a shorter length of time. It is a series of classes and gatherings to prepare adults who desire to learn about the Catholic Faith.

• **We welcome unbaptized adults** (special arrangements are made for preparing children) for the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. • **We welcome adults and children who have been previously baptized in another faith** who desire full communion with the Catholic Church through a profession of faith and reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. • **We also welcome Baptized Catholics who have not continued their religious instruction** and are seeking to renew their life in the Church by receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

The day and time for our sessions are set to fit the needs of those who register. We generally meet for one and one-half hours once a week. All materials used are provided for you; there is no charge.

The full OCIA process consists of four stages or periods of formation:

1. **Period of Inquiry (Pre-catechumenate)** – a time of learning and discernment, ending sometime near December with the Rite of Acceptance for the unbaptized and the Rite of Welcoming for the baptized.
2. **Period of Catechumenate** – a time when the instruction provides a more in-depth focus on the doctrines of the Catholic faith. This period ends at the beginning of Lent with the Rite of Sending and the Rite of Election.
3. **The Period of Purification and Enlightenment** – coincides with the season of Lent. It is a time of more spiritual preparation for the Catechumens, to deepen their knowledge and relationship to Christ. This stage culminates at the Easter Vigil liturgy, when those preparing receive the Sacraments of Initiation or are received into full communion with the Church.
4. The final stage is **The Period of Mystagogy**, a Greek word meaning “leading into the mysteries” or “learning about the mysteries.” Mystagogy takes place from Easter through Pentecost. The newly initiated begin their lifelong pilgrimage of growth as the mysteries of their faith unfold.

If you or someone you know is interested in exploring the Catholic faith through OCIA and wishes to receive more information or request a registration packet, please contact the OCIA coordinators using one of the following methods:

gfortkamp.holycrossfop@gmail.com; Ginny Fortkamp 419-375-4153 (Fort Recovery parishes)

cmuhlenkamp.holycrossfop@gmail.com; Cindy Muhlenkamp 419-678-4802 (Coldwater parishes)

Parish Information

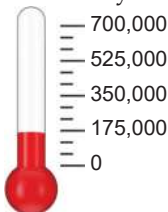


Holy Trinity

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

— We have reached our 1st year goal of \$175,000!

Thank you for your generosity. As we enter the second year of our 4 years, we continue to monitor the condition of the roof, spouting/gutters/downspouts and the parking lot. Once again, we are targeting \$14,500 per month in order to reach our 2nd year goal.



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 on 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 group.

THANK YOU — The family of Dorothy Gaerke would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to Father Joseph Pasala and Father Dan Meyer for celebrating her beautiful funeral Mass. Also thankful to bereavement coordinator, Ginny Fortkamp, for her caring and gentle guidance, comforting presence, and support. We also extend our thanks to the choir especially Linda Kahlig and Sandy Knoth for the beautiful music as well as the funeral committee at MHC for the graciously prepared meal and thoughtful hospitality. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the community for your prayers and support during this difficult time. May God Bless you all abundantly !!
- The Family of Dorothy Gaerke



St. Mary

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

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

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

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.

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

CLEANING — (JULY) **Lori Pottkotter, Sherri Pottkotter, Danielle Pottkotter, Emilie Pottkotter, Ashley Pottkotter, Kim Pottkotter, Julie Bechtol



St. Paul

AVAILABLE ITEMS

— As part of our parish renovation, we have a variety of items that are no

longer needed but may be useful to others. We invite parishioners to look through the available kitchen items, décor, trophies, and other miscellaneous items. If you find something you can use or would enjoy, please feel free to take it with our compliments, free of charge. We are grateful these items can find a new home within our parish family. Items will be available in the upper classrooms of St. Paul Church following Mass on July 19th and 26th or reach out to a Parish Council Member to set up a time to look at the items prior to July 26, 2026, deadline, at that time all remaining items will be donated or gifted. Thank You, St. Paul Parish Council: Dustin Sudhoff, Lindsey Reinhard, Michele Homan, Kevin Knapke, Kim Knapke, Matt Hart.



St. Peter

ST. PETER LADIES SODALITY

— Please join us for our Sodality Summer Social & New Member

Induction on July 29th at 7:00 pm. Refreshments will be provided. All women of the parish are warmly welcome to attend. RSVP encouraged but not required: aschmitz419@outlook.com.

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



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.

GARAGE SALE UPDATE — Labor Day is fast approaching which means St. Anthony Garage Sale!!!! The dates for the garage/bake sale are: Sept. 8th, 9th, & 10th from 9:00 am - 7:00 pm with EARLY BIRD on Sept. 7th from 2:00 - 5:00 pm (\$5.00 donation). We have clothing (all sizes) furniture, kitchen items, books, Christmas decorations, tools, toys, games, baby furniture (A BEAUTIFUL BABY CRIB) and so much more. Any questions, please call (419) 852-8741.

BEAUTIFICATION UPDATE — The painting, renovation, and restoration project is on schedule. We are grateful to the Joseph and Maryann Diller Family, who have generously stepped forward to cover the cost of updating and repainting the Stations of the Cross. As we move into Phase II, we need to raise \$40,000 to continue the project. The estimated cost of the renovation and restoration of Phase II is currently \$100,000. We sincerely appreciate everyone's prayers, support, and generous donations. Your continued generosity is helping preserve the beauty of our church for future generations! Visit <https://www.holycrossfop.org/improvement-projects> then click on St. Anthony for updated project schedule.

How to Sign Up for FORMED:

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Did You Know?

Thank You!

As we begin this new fiscal year, we give thanks for the many blessings God has poured into our Holy Cross Family of Parishes. Your prayers, service, and generosity have been the heartbeat of our mission, allowing us to grow in faith, serve our communities, and share Christ's love with others. Let us continue to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us—our time, our talents, and our treasure—so that together we may continue to build strong vibrant parishes. Every act of kindness, every moment of service, and every offering given in love makes a difference.

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." 2 Corinthians 9:6

Contributions

June 29 - July 5, 2026

Mary Help of Christians

Offertory\$6,804.00
Cemetery\$ 5.00
Religious Ed.....\$ 40.00
Altar Flowers\$ 20.00
Allocated Loose\$ 919.00

St. Joseph

Offertory\$ 789.00
Peter's Pence\$ 50.00
Allocated Loose\$ 191.91

St. Paul

Offertory\$1,670.00
Parish Improvement.....\$6,540.00
Peter's Pence\$ 20.00
Cemetery\$ 665.00
Allocated Loose\$ 391.63

St. Peter

Offertory\$2,660.00
Building Fund\$ 120.00
Peter's Pence\$ 115.00
Allocated Loose\$ 310.49

Holy Trinity

Offertory.....\$ 6,976.00
Loose.....\$ 4,372.00
Total\$11,348.00
Perm. Improv.\$ 6,000.00
Food Pantry\$ 1,000.00
Candles.....\$ 244.00

St. Anthony

Offertory.....\$ 851.00
Loose.....\$ 170.00
Total\$ 1,021.00

St. Mary

Offertory.....\$ 865.00
Loose.....\$ 632.00
Total\$ 1,497.00
Candles.....\$ 86.00
Holy Father\$ 20.00



Thank you for your generosity!

Youth Ministry

Coldwater Youth Group

Contact: Natalie Ashbaugh
nashbaugh.holycrossfop@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CHRIST & COFFEE (7th - 12th grade) — All grades 7-12 are welcome to join our bible study at 8:15 am. Please meet at Rooster Joe's in Coldwater and bring your bibles.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (9th - 12th grade) — All high school boys are welcome to join a bible study led by Fr. Witt. The bible study will be held at the St. Joe shelter house after 9:00 am Mass.

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



Fort Fiat Youth Group

Contact: Natalie Ashbaugh
nashbaugh.holycrossfop@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MS REC NIGHT DATES — Remaining dates are July 20th and August 3rd @ MHC from 7:30 - 9 pm

HS REC NIGHT DATES — Remaining dates are July 27th and August 10th @ MHC from 7:30 - 9 pm

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.



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

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Religious Education

Coldwater Religious Ed.

Contact: Stephanie Rutschilling
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HOLY TRINITY TEACHERS NEEDED:

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

Grades 1st - 8th - 6:30 - 7:45 pm session: 3 teachers

High School - 8:00 - 9:15 pm session: 1 teacher (preferably male for the 9th grade boys)

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.

ST. ANTHONY TEACHERS NEEDED:

1st Grade - 6:30 - 7:45 pm session: 1 teacher

Fort Recovery Religious Ed.

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

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS TEACHER NEEDED:

1st Grade - God Loves Us, What is a Sin, Blessed Trinity

5th Grade - 7 Sacraments, How to Pray the Rosary, Types of Prayer (one year commitment due to large class size).

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

ST. PETER/ST. JOSEPH TEACHERS NEEDED:

5th Grade - 7 Sacraments, How to Pray the Rosary, Types of Prayer (one year commitment due to large class size).

*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!

Saint of the Week - Saint Sharbel Makhluf

The convenience store owner chatted animatedly in Arabic with coworkers, but hardly at all with his "American" clientele. So soon after 9/11, he probably figured, with my accent, the less said, the better. That changed when an "American" customer recognized Saint Sharbel's portrait on the wall: "So you're Lebanese Maronites!" The owner was happily incredulous: "You know our Saint?" "Not at first," the customer admitted. "But we help the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, and their magazine published that picture and called Sharbel the 'Paradoxical Artisan of Peace.'" "Everyone thinks we're Muslims," said the owner, "and some of my workers are. Saint Sharbel helps us live together in peace!" A hermit for twenty-three years, little is known of Sharbel's life. He died after suffering a stroke while celebrating the liturgy. Miracles attributed to his intercession number in the thousands, and in war-torn Lebanon, Catholics, Orthodox, and Muslims pray together where his incorrupt body is entombed. How lovely if after our passing, we too could be remembered for having brought very different people to the one God, together in peace.

—Peter Scagnelli

Information obtained from diocesan.com



Community Interests

FATIMA USA-2026 — The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein will commemorate Our Lady's apparition and message at Fatima on Friday, August 14th, at 7:30 pm. Fr. Ethan Moore will celebrate the Mass. There also will be confessions, a candlelight rosary, and procession through the woods. All First Communicants are welcome to join in the procession in their attire. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating and dress appropriately. Come join us for this Fatima celebration!!

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.

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>.



D OF I MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT — There will be no meeting in July or August. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 1st, which will be a birthday party with a catered meal. So mark your calendars. Have a blessed, fun and safe summer!

CMA MASSES OF THANKSGIVING — Please join Archbishop Casey as he celebrates regional Masses of Thanksgiving for the generosity of thousands who contributed to the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal! All are welcome to attend. There will be a meet and greet following each Mass. Saturday, August 1st at 5:00 pm at Church of the Incarnation, 55 Williamsburg Ln., Centerville, OH 45459 and Sunday, August 2nd at 10:00 am at St. Antoninus Parish, 1500 Linneman Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45238.

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 15th, 10:00 am, Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains (Cincinnati) or November 21st, 4:30 pm, St. Francis of Assisi (Dayton). Family members are welcome to attend as well, and a special blessing will be offered for the jubilarian couples. Couples should RSVP online by November 2nd at www.catholicaoc.org/goldenjubilee.

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

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.

CATHOLIC FAMILY NIGHT AT GREAT AMERICAN BALLPARK 2026! — You are invited to join Archbishop Casey and Bishop Iffert of the Diocese of Covington and Catholics from across our region 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 pm. Ahead of the game an on-field ceremony will recognize local Catholics who put Love into Action. The first pitch ceremony will include Fr. Michael Willig pitching to his brother, Fr. Jacob Willig. Join us at the ballpark by purchasing discounted tickets for the Sept. 5th game through Reds ticketing at: <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.

RETROUVAILLE — Hope for couples going through difficult times in their marriages. Retrouvaille is a program of healing and renewal consisting of one weekend and six follow-up sessions over the course of two months. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on September 11-13, 2026, call (513) 286-3013 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS & AUXILIARY — Membership is open to all honorably discharged Catholic veterans and their families (Active, Reserve, National Guard). Wartime service is not required - just 90 days of active-duty service. We advocate for and support all veterans, regardless of faith, through our programs of Catholic Action, Americanism, Youth Activities, and Veteran Welfare. We are proud of our service, and we love our faith! We would like you to join us and continue serving "For God, For Country, For Home." Ohio has 17 Posts, and we are looking to grow our service to veterans, our Church, and our communities in your parish / area. Contact us for more information: Department of Ohio, CWV: (614) 221-7601 or ohiocwv@sbcglobal.net

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

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.

MINISTRY TO SURVIVORS OF ABUSE (REPORTING) — The Archdiocese of Cincinnati regards child abuse in all its forms as gravely sinful and criminal. Anyone who knows of or suspects child abuse by a legitimate member of the clergy or hierarchy, employee, or volunteer of the archdiocese should first report the abuse to the appropriate secular legal authority and then to Ms. Teresa Maley, Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse of the Archdiocese, at (513) 263-6623 or 1 (800) 686-2724 ext. 6623.



HEALING MASSES - 2026 — Montezuma Retreat House at 7 pm on Sept. 8th, Oct. 13th, & Nov. 10th.

DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION: DAYTON AREA ON AUGUST 8th — Have you or someone you know suffered from the loss of a child to abortion? We invite any woman who has experienced this loss to join us for a one-day retreat on Saturday, August 8th. This event offers women a safe and confidential space to share their experiences, reflect on their past, and offer their futures to Christ who makes all things new. A trained priest, counselor, and volunteer who has experienced healing after abortion will be present to accompany participants. The event exact location and details will be shared after completing the registration process. You can register for this event by calling 513.784.0531, emailing ProjectRachel@catholicaoc.org, or by going to www.ProjectRachelOhio.org. All communications are kept in strict confidentiality.

Hello! My name is Lauren Mestemaker, the daughter of Jerry & Charlene Mestemaker and granddaughter of Francis & Eileen Tobe. I am a FOCUS missionary, and I will be serving at the University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee this coming year! FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) is the largest Catholic collegiate missionary organization in the country, and aims at accompanying students in everyday life, offering authentic friendship and inviting them into a deeper relationship with Christ.

As a FOCUS missionary, I get to rely on the spiritual and financial support from mission partners to make this mission possible. I would like to ask for your prayers for me and the students I will encounter at UWM, as well as any financial support you feel called to give.

I would love to connect with you personally. Feel free to reach out to me at 937-423-5963 or by email at lauren.mestemaker@focus.org. If you are interested in giving, please scan the QR code to my FOCUS page for the link to donate. Thank you for considering this invitation to join me on mission!



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SECULAR CARMELITE COMMUNITY — Do you want to grow closer to Jesus? Do you want to deepen your interior life and imitate Our Lady? Do you think you may be called to a life of prayer as a lay person in the midst of the world? If you can answer "Yes!" to any of these questions, you are invited to visit the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites. Learn more about the Carmelite Order, its role in the world, and the saints who made it happen. Discover if you may be called to follow St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, St. Thérèse of Lisieux and the many other Carmelite saints by living hidden in the Heart of Christ for the sake of the Church and the world. If you are a confirmed and practicing Catholic at least 18 years old and are interested in the Secular Carmelites of Celina, OH please contact Tom Batty (937) 564-2031 or Theresa Jenkins (937) 418-1732. Our community ("St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Family") is welcoming visitors in September and October of this year. We look forward to meeting you!



Armor of God Rosary Procession

Where:

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Celina, Ohio

Saturday, July 25th
2:00 PM

Meet at the church steps

Please join us as we pray. Pray for the conversion of sinners and making reparation for the sins committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

Our Lady said,

"Pray the rosary every day, to obtain peace for the world."
Let us pray the rosary together! Join us for our rosary walk!

Bring your rosary, water, walking shoes.
We'll be walking to the lighthouse and back to the church steps.



JOIN US FOR A JOINT EVENT!

Thursday, July 23rd

7:00PM Social | 7:30PM Talk

The Loramie Brewing Co (Back Patio)



FEATURED SPEAKERS:
Pete & Barb Blanco
"One Inch"

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