

Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday

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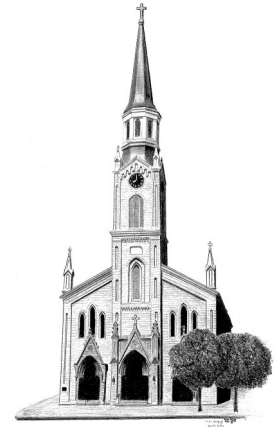
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 3

7:30 AM Holy Trinity Deceased members of the
Essman family
12:00 PM St. Joseph Poor Souls

Tuesday, April 4

7:30 AM Holy Trinity Barbara Keegan
12:00 PM St. Joseph Tim McCrate

Wednesday, April 5

7:30 AM Emmanuel Cecilia Muckenthaler
12:00 PM St. Joseph Living & deceased members of
the Lukacs Family

Thursday, April 6

5:30 PM St. Joseph For all our faithfully departed
6:00 PM Holy Trinity For all Trinitarians
7:00 PM Emmanuel Intention of George & Mary
Walter Family

Friday, April 7 *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*

1:30 PM St. Joseph
2:00 PM Holy Trinity
5:30 PM Emmanuel

Saturday, April 8

8:45 PM Emmanuel For our parishioners
8:45 PM Holy Trinity Our newly baptized and received
into the church Easter Sunday
8:45 PM St. Joseph Karen O'Connor

Sunday, April 9

8:30 AM Holy Trinity Martha Beemsterboer
10:00 AM St. Joseph For the Parishioners
10:30 AM Emmanuel Living & deceased members of the
James & Evelyn McCarthy Family
11:30 AM Holy Trinity For the Parishioners

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 / Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Confessions:

Emmanuel: Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM
Holy Trinity: Sunday: 8:00 AM
St. Joseph: Monday-Saturday: 11:30 AM; Saturday: 4:00 PM

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Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction at Emmanuel on Tuesdays 7:00 PM

Contact your parish office to: Register, schedule Baptism, Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound.

FR. ANGELO'S REFLECTION



Today's celebration "Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord" holds together two extremes, Jesus who is acclaimed King and Jesus who is the paschal lamb of God who gave his life for the salvation of the world. Many Catholic homes honor this mystery by placing blessed palm branches behind a crucifix as a constant reminder to keep Christ as King of this household and the call to follow Jesus by laying down our life out of love for one another.

As King of heaven and earth, Jesus has come in humility, simplicity and vulnerability. Recall the words of St. Paul, "Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave... he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death." The gift of Holy Week teaches us that there is strength in humility, simplicity, and vulnerability.

Scripture scholars tell us that the kind of power Jesus expressed is found in the Greek word *exousia*. Unfortunately, there is no word like this in English. To help us understand the beauty of this word, I like an image that Fr. Ronald Rolheiser uses to describe the power of *exousia*.

"If you would put the strongest man in the world into a room with a newborn baby, which of these two would be more powerful?" At one level the man is more powerful with muscle strength and could destroy the baby. But the baby possesses a different kind of power; a power that will melt the human heart and have the strongest adult cooing and codling the infant as a precious gift. God came to us as a tiny child, with power that is expressed in simplicity by a humble and vulnerable way of life.

In today's Gospel, we heard how Jesus died on the cross to reveal God's power in the world. The power he reveals is not muscle power or physical force. No, Jesus broke the cycle of violence. The power he reveals is rooted in love, a power that inspires us to bend a knee before the cross of Christ. The power of the cross moves our hearts to a deeper faith and trust in God. The cross teaches us that when you are weak you are strong because when we embrace the cross, we are not relying on our strength, but on God's power at work within us.

During this holiest of weeks, we are given a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon God's love revealed to us as *exousia*. Make a special effort this week to follow the example of Jesus and be the face of love by sacrificing yourself through a way of life that is humble, by not thinking of yourself first. Be vulnerable by letting go of control and live in simplicity by getting rid of distractions in your life so that you can keep God at the center of your life.

What is the Triduum? The word comes from the Latin word meaning "three days," and encompasses the three most sacred days in the Church year. The triduum begins at sundown on Holy Thursday, reaches a high point at the Easter Vigil, and concludes with evening prayer at sundown on Easter Sunday. The liturgical celebrations during the Triduum on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday are rich with symbolism and flow from one to another in a seamless way. While it may appear as if these liturgies are separate and distinct, they are actually intended to be one continuous celebration that commemorates the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. For this reason, Catholics are encouraged to observe the entire Triduum by attending all of the liturgies.

REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Extra Confession Times This Week:

April 3rd, 4th & 5th at St. Joseph from 11:00-11:55 a.m.
 April 4th & 5th at Emmanuel from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
There are NO Confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday.

Good Friday Fast and Abstinence... April 7th is a day of abstinence from meat and a day of fast. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full-meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics ages 14 years and older. (Canons 97 & 1252)

Helping Christians in the Holy Land - With your support, we can help to ensure that Christians living in the Holy Land now, and that future generations of Christians will have a place to live and thrive. Please help the Christians in the Holy Land with your contribution to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection.

Please pray for the people in our RCIA program who will enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil:

Aaron Bratka	Spencer Malone
Gregory Helms	Patricia Rice
Alexus Hicks	Luke Walton

And for Emily Nock who will be confirmed.

The 40 Days for Life closing rally is today, Sunday, April 2nd at 2:00 pm. Former State Representative, Candice Keller will be speaking. Come join us to pray for a greater respect for life!

Good Friday Prayer Vigil - Please come to the abortion mill on Good Friday to pray for the unborn. Let us unite our prayers to the Lord's suffering and death on the cross for an end to the tragedy of abortion.

Ageless Grace Registration Now Open... Register now for this five week series being offered Mondays, April 10 thru May 8 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm at Trinity Center. Cost is \$35.00 per person with a minimum of 10 registrants for the class. Pre-registration required by 4pm April 7th. Bonita from FirstLight Home Care will lead this simple, seated, playful exercise program based on the science of neuroplasticity and beneficial to anyone of any age and mobility. To register Contact Sharon at 937-776-2942 or sharonbecker6@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Y.E.S. 2023, Friday evening, June 23, and all day Saturday, June 24 our pastoral region will have a service retreat. This is open to teens, young adults, and adults. Teams are formed and sent to the homes of the elderly in our pastoral region to do yard work and house chores. More information will be forthcoming. Tanya Lee, 937-885-7432.

2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal! Thank you for your support!

	Goal	Pledged
Emmanuel Parish:	\$19,126.00	\$33,746.00
St. Joseph Parish:	\$17,760.00	\$18,636.60
Holy Trinity Parish:	\$14,461.00	\$11,665.00



<u>Holy Thursday</u>	<u>Good Friday</u>	<u>Holy Saturday</u>	<u>Easter Sunday</u>
Mass of the Lord's Supper SJ – 5:30pm HT – 6:00pm EM – 7:00pm	HT – Noon Stations of the Cross 12:30pm Scriptural Rosary 1:00pm Tenebrae 2:00pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion EM – Noon Stations of the Cross; 5:30pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion SJ – 1:30pm Liturgy - Lord's Passion	HT – 8:45pm Vigil EM – 8:45pm Vigil SJ – 8:45pm Vigil	8:30am – Holy Trinity 10:00am – St. Joseph 10:30am – Emmanuel 11:30am – Holy Trinity

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Yves Benimana	Jacob Gutwein	David Musgrove
Michael Borgert	Christopher Harman	Diane Nyirasimbi
John Carner	Nicholas Kern	Anthony Pelfrey
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Morgan Konsdorf	Jessica Pruitt
Jon Chachula	Greg Marcus	Susan Varmuza
Laura Chachula	Alex McGarvey	Justin Williams
Caleb Fowler	Zachary McIntyre	

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Mar. 26, 2023

Weekend Offertory:	Collection:
	\$ 5,127.00
St. Vincent dePaul:	\$ 512.70
Year to Date Deficit:	\$(19,676.00)

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Prayer List

Virginia Allen	Tim McCrate	Special Intention
Ed Chartrand	Patrick McDonald	Adam
Nancy Cartuyvelles	Michael Mitchell	Christine
Michael Dalessio	Kathy Profit	Dale
Marilyn Dehner	Randy Rosenthal	David F.
Annette Fohl	Katie Schultz	Grant
Cindy Gardina	Louie Schulze	Justin
Craig Hathaway	Robert Thoman	Kelli
George Hendrix	Jan Timerding	Helen
Dennis McCarthy		

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Eve Faustina Lengel, infant daughter of Kevin and Lyndsay Lengel. May she rest in the peace of the Lord.

The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday. If you would like to pray the novena, booklets with the daily prayers are available in the back of church. The celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday** will take place April 16th starting at 12:30 PM with confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Mass at 2:00 PM. The afternoon of prayer ends with the 3:00 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Guys and Dolls, presented by John Paul's Troupe - a theatrical group of homeschool students, will take place on April 13 at 6 pm, April 14 at 1 pm and 6 pm, and April 15 at 6 pm at Town Hall Theatre, 27 N. Main Street, Centerville. For tickets go to [ticketor.com/jpt](https://www.ticketor.com/jpt).

New Scholarship Opportunity: Do you sing or play an instrument? Apply for one of the scholarships offered by Emmanuel's Music Program fund! Application forms may be found on the tables in the back of church. For details contact Michelle Carner, at michelle@carners.com.

Many times at Emmanuel you have heard (or sung) the Thomas Dubois setting of "Adoramus Te, Christe," the beloved prayer we use at Stations of the Cross ("We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You, because by Your holy cross You have redeemed the world"). This week's meditative choral setting of the prayer, very different in style, was composed by Richard Romiti in 2011.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention

For a culture of peace and non-violence. We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"Jesus specializes in restoration."

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Mar. 26, 2023

Weekend Offertory:	Budget:	Collection
	\$6,250.00	\$4,040.23

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Our Sympathy to the family of Donna Schaser whose funeral Mass was celebrated this past week. May she rest in peace.

Your Help is needed to get our beautiful Church ready for Easter Services. We will start cleaning at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow morning, and complete the job at 6:00 p.m. if there is anything left to do.

We will be scrubbing the kneelers, cleaning the pews with lemon oil, washing down the marble walls and dusting all there is to dust with special emphasis on the intricate wood work and cleaning the priests' sacristy. If you are planning to come for the evening shift, please call the parish office at 937-228-1223 to see what is left to do. Thank you for your service to Holy Trinity.

St. Vincent De Paul Hotel

We are still collecting new or gently used sheets and blankets for use at the hotel. You can drop them off at the hotel on Apple St. or bring them to church with you and place them behind the last pew. Thank you.

Altar Servers Are Needed for the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. This ministry is open to all who have made their First Communion through adults. Training will be provided. If you are interested, please call the parish office.

Please put these dates on your calendar:

April 23 and 24 at Holy Trinity for our regional parish mission – **Surge of the Heart**, led by Jon Leonetti, an international Catholic speaker and author.

Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbor's kids, all are welcome!

There will be fun and food, crafts to make and lots of eggs to put in their Easter Baskets. Don't forget the basket and remember to bring your camera if you wish to have a picture with our extra special Easter Bunny this year. Come and be with us April 8 on the parish grounds and in Trinity Center starting at noon.

P.S. We still have a few eggs that need to be filled. Please stop by the parish office to pick some up.

Start gathering together your no longer wanted, but still very usable household items! We are having a Rummage Sale Saturday, May 6 in Trinity Center. Remember one person's trash is another's treasures. Please, no clothes, shoes or technical books. Drop off dates are April 16, 23 and 30 between 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Please use the north door at Trinity Center.

Easter Flowers For The Sanctuary

We are accepting offerings for flowers to beautify the sanctuary for Easter Season. If you are interested in making a donation to the fund in memory of loved ones or just to give thanks to God for all he has done for us, please place your offering in an envelope along with the name of the person you wish remembered and put it in the collection basket today or drop it off at the parish office tomorrow morning. Thank you.

Is there someone in our parish family that does simple wood-working? If so, I would like to hear from you. Our craft group has some small projects and we need your help. Please call Judi, 937-228-1223.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Generous Contributions for Mar. 26, 2023

Weekend Offertory: Collection \$12,963.00
 Charity: \$ 213.00

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Our sympathy is extended to the family of Kathryn DeMange. May she rest in the peace of the Lord.

Congratulations to Kurtis & Megan Gibson on the baptism of their son, Theodore. We're delighted to welcome Theodore to our parish family.

Hearing Aid Receivers Available... Are you having difficulty hearing the Mass? If so, we have hearing aid receivers available for your use. Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it just give it back to an usher.

If you want to stay informed about special announcements in our parish please join Flocknotes. This is an internet service that enables us to send emails and text messages to our parishioners as one group. To sign up visit <https://flocknote.com/DowntownDaytonCatholicPa> or go to the homepage for Flocknotes, click on "Find Your Church" using our Zip code 45402 then click on "Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes." You can join our network and be on your way to receiving messages from the parish (all without needing to create a password)!

We need a couple more people to serve on the altar at the 10:00 Mass. Training is provided. Please call the rectory.

Please join us for Stations of the Cross after the Noon Mass on Wednesdays during Lent.

Palm Sunday is the great doorway leading into Holy Week, the week when the Lord Jesus makes his way towards the culmination of his earthly existence. He goes up to Jerusalem in order to fulfill the Scriptures and to be nailed to the wood of the Cross, the throne from which he will reign forever, drawing to himself humanity of every age and offering to all the gift of redemption. ~Pope Benedict

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Call the rectory if you would like to be added to the prayer list.

Cheryl Anderson	Junior Fowler	Greg Osif
Austin Beggin & Family	Michael Glackin	Vanessa Padgett
Colby Berry	Bennett Hart	Victor Polovskis
Jim Brokamp	Carol Hartke	Theresa Reiff
Bob Bruns	Paul Hartke	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Brent Buschur	Marie Henry	Terri Sullivan
Kathy Buschur	Andrea Kittel	Jack Summers
Sara Bustetter	Colette Kropp	Karen Thomas
Mooneen Caufield	Alma Landry	Tony Trick
Michael Culp	Colleen Maples	Joann Weisenbach
Rita Downs	William Meikle	Sharon Wenzel
John Fitzgerald	Joe Moretto	Linda
Jim Flynn		

Area Activities

Tenebrae Service at the Maria Stein Shrine on April 5th, 7:30pm in the Adoration Chapel. The word 'tenebrae' is Latin for shadows. The purpose of the Tenebrae service is to meditate deeply on the passion story. Christ's betrayal, abandonment, and agony are felt deeply in this prayer. However, we are left remembering that the story is not over, and that Christ will fulfill His mission in three days' time. Fr. John Tonkin will lead us as we reflect on scripture passages and hymns sung by the St. Peter Church Choir of Fort Recovery.

Naim meeting, Monday, April 10 at 6 PM with pizza at \$5.00 per person, bring our own beverage, in the St. Henry PAC, 6660 N. Springboro Pike. Final reservations for Naim's 58th Anniversary celebration will be taken at this meeting followed by cards. Who is Naim? It is the religious & social organization for widowed Catholics. Contact Sue Caufield at 937-395-9891 for more details.

Mary's WAY (Women Answering Yes) is a nation-wide apostolate which promotes the power of the Holy Rosary and brings women closer to Jesus through the perfect example of Mother Mary. On Tuesday, May 16th beginning at 6:45pm, high school age and older are invited to attend the 2nd annual dinner at Yankee Trace Golf Club. Limited space available, cost \$30/person. Sign up by emailing Chris Condit at cmcondit@woh.rr.com or go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/marys-way-ohio-tickets-534573773547>.

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