

January 7, Epiphany of the Lord



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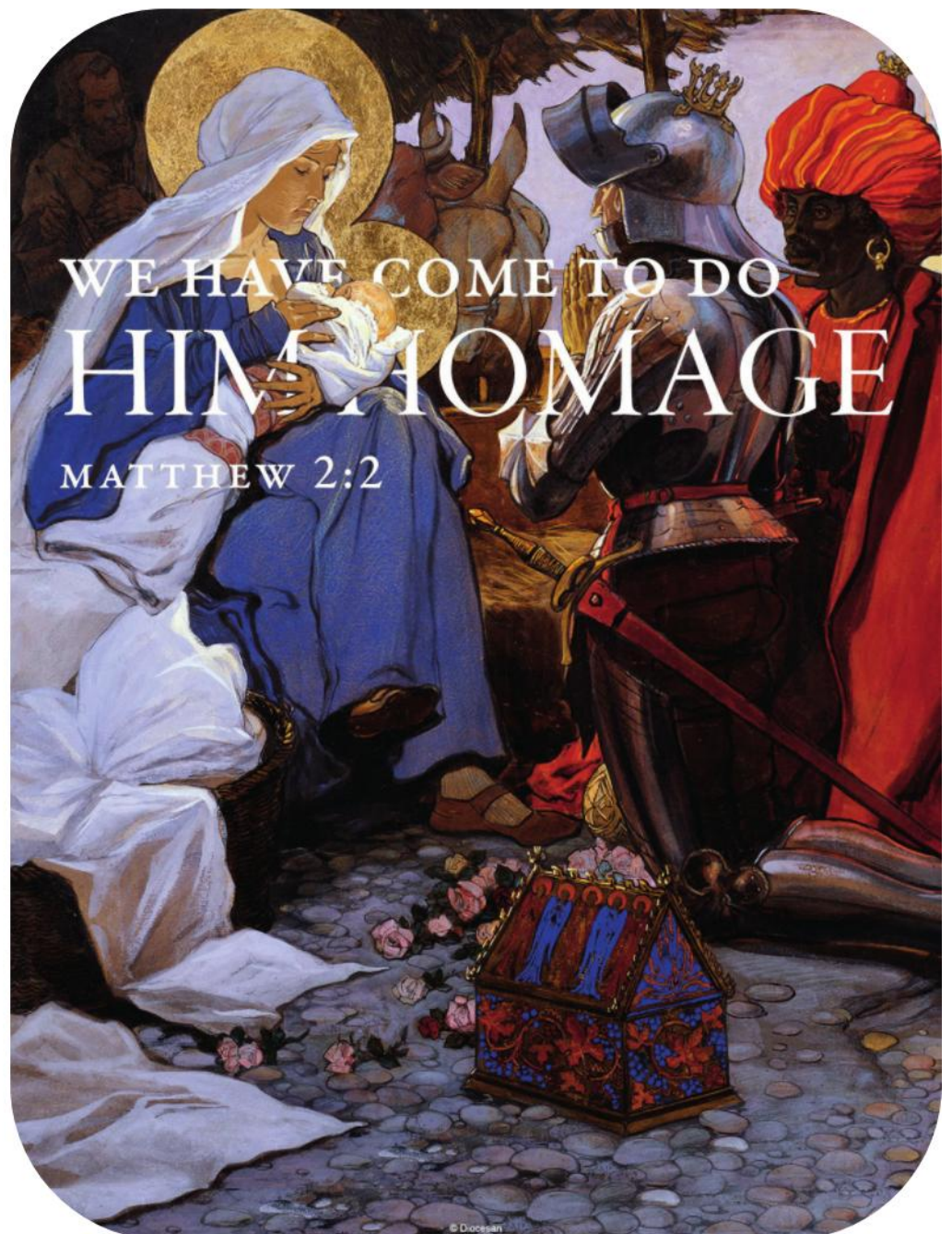
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St. Gaspar Family of Parishes

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St. Gaspar Family of Parishes is served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood



Pastor's Desk

Today we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. We see the three Wisemen approaching King Herod. King Herod was greatly troubled on hearing that there was going to be a King of the Jews. Herod was the King of the Jews. He did not want another person to be the King of the Jews.

What troubles you? We know that pride, envy, lust, slothfulness, gluttony, anger, and coveting are the seven deadly sins. We know that these sins can destroy a person from within. King Herod was envious of Jesus, the Messiah. If he could not be king, he would destroy all of the two year old male children and younger in Bethlehem.

Jesus is not only the King of the Jews but He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Jesus' Kingdom is far greater than Israel. There is no end to His reign. As we begin this new year, let us take stock of what we hold dear in our hearts. Is what we hold onto eternal or just a perishable object? Do we reverence our King Jesus?

Notice what the three Wiseman bring Jesus in today's gospel. "Then they opened their treasures and offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." They bring Jesus gold, because he is a King. They bring Him frankincense, because He is a priest. They bring Him myrrh because He will die for humanity. Myrrh was used in preparing the body for burial. The three Wisemen knew they encountered the Lord Jesus, the Messiah. The three Wisemen were wise because they did not reveal the whereabouts of the baby Jesus. "And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way."

Sometimes we know that people will not accept Jesus as the Lord and Savior. We are not to throw our pearls to the swine. Some people will not accept the precious gift of Christ and His kingdom.

As followers of Christ, sometimes we have to move on to others and follow a different route in evangelization.

Thank you very much,

Fr. Tony Fortman C.P.P.S.

Newly Baptized in Our Parish Family

@Emmanuel

Brandina Irimaso & Jean Prosper Gashugi, children of Irimaso Hildebrand & Petronia Ngendakumana

If you're a first-time parent seeking to have your child baptized, attending a baptism preparation class is a prerequisite. These classes provide essential insights into the significance and rituals of the sacrament, covering both theological and practical aspects. Upcoming dates for baptismal preparation classes and other details can be found on page 13.



Confession Times

Monday - Saturday
11:30 - 11:50 am | St. Joseph

Saturday
4:00-5:00 pm | Emmanuel
4:00-4:20 pm | St. Joseph
3:30-4:20 pm | Precious Blood

Sunday
8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity

Mass Times & Intentions

The weekend schedule for presiding priests can be found on our St. Gaspar shared landing page: stgasparfamily.org.

Monday, January 8, 2024

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** †Sally Madigan
8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Celebrant's Intention
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** Intentions of Mildred Hubler

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** †Abigail Esselman
8:30 am **St. Rita** †John & Kaye Snyder
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** Intentions of Dominic Madison

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

7:30 am **Emmanuel** Intentions of Ronan M. Factora
8:30 am **St. Paul** †Celebrant's Intention
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Rita Berberich

Thursday, January 11, 2024

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Chris Enochs
8:30 am **St. Paul** †Celebrant's Intention
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Intentions of Caydance Crowe

Friday, January 12, 2024

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Roger Gamblin
8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Celebrant's Intention
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Tim McCrate

Saturday, January 13, 2024

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Wade Boswell & Family
12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Dwayne Durr
4:30 pm **St. Joseph** †Donald Hohne
4:30 pm **Precious Blood** †For our Parishioners
5:15 pm **Emmanuel** †Robert & Anna Vandevander

Sunday, January 14, 2024

8:30 am **Holy Trinity** †For our Parishioners
8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Jan Moran
9:30 am **St. Rita** †Laura Keefe
10:00 am **St. Joseph** †For our Parishioners
10:30 am **Emmanuel** †For our Parishioners
10:30 am **St. Paul** †Celebrant's Intention
11:30 am **Holy Trinity** †Anthony Lucente

Mass Intentions can be scheduled by calling your parish office during regular office hours. Beginning January 7, 2024 the 7:30 am Mass at St. Paul and the 11:30 am Mass at Precious Blood are discontinued. Mass Intentions that have been scheduled for those days will be rescheduled by your parish office.



For the Week of January 7, 2024

Sunday	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
Monday	Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; PS 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

Yves Benihana	Morgan Konsdorf
Michael Borgert	Connor "Baktir" Magill
Jessica Calicoat	Greg Marcus
John Carner	Brittany Maurer
Kelli Anne	Alex McGarvey
Nicholas Butler Cartuyvelles	Zachary McIntyre
Jon Chachula	David Musgrove
Laura Chachula	Diane Nyirasimbi
Eric Raymond Dino	Anthony Pelfrey
Eric Justin Dino	Dave Plasenthal
Caleb Fowler	Matt Shulten
Jacob Gutwein	Luis Torres
Christopher Harman	Susan Varmuza
George Hinton	Justin Williams
Nicholas Kern	



Parish Calendar

Monday, January 8

The Glories of Mary Book Read

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Tuesday, January 9

St. Paul Parish Council

7:00-8:30 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Bible Study, Hebrews

8:00-9:30 pm · Emmanuel/Mtg. Room

Wednesday, January 10

Senior Program and Lunch

12:00-2:00 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

SVDP Meeting, NW Dayton Conference

6:30-8:00 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Catholic Life

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Knights of Columbus Council 3754

7:30-9:00 pm · St. Rita/Church Basement

Thursday, January 11

Notre Dame Folk Choir

7:00-8:30 pm · Emmanuel/Church

The Devout Life Book Read

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Knights of Columbus Council 13874

7:00-9:00 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Friday, January 12

Friday Hour

9:30-11:00 am · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Saturday, January 13

CCD

9:30-11:00 am · Emmanuel/Mtg. Room

Bible Study, Hebrews

9:30-11:00 am · Emmanuel/Mtg. Room

Sunday, January 14

Children's Faith Formation

9:00-10:15 am · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

F.I.R.E. Family Faith Formation

9:45 am · Holy Trinity/Mtg. Room

Catholics Come Home

1:00-3:00 pm · St. Rita/Mtg. Room

St. Gaspar Family News & Events

From the St. Gaspar Respect Life Group

Living out Christmas in the New Year

How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments?

Each year, the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.

Her open heart and courageous “yes” to God show us how to live year-round—with hearts open to the Lord, following where He leads. We are called to place our trust in Him, to enter compassionately into the suffering of others, and to love one another as Christ loves us.



Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance.

9 Days for Life

From Tuesday, January 16 through Wednesday, January 24

Join today by visiting: 9daysforlife.com

One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady's example is to join 9 Days for Life, a novena for the protection

of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at 9daysforlife.com!

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Monthly Trivia Night is Back!

@Precious Blood Church, beginning Saturday, January 20 at 7:00 pm

Hey all you Trivia buffs! Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 20, at 7:00 pm! We are bringing back monthly Trivia fun and friendly competition at Precious Blood's Parish Activity Center. It will generally be held the third Saturday of each month. Donation is \$5.00 per person, used to help defray the cost of prizes.

You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks if you desire, and we'll provide some too. So start forming your teams...or just come and join one! Everyone from the St. Gaspar Family of Parishes is invited!

Lector Training

@St. Paul, Saturday, January 20 from 10:00 to 11:30 am

Deacon Brian Seibert is spearheading a comprehensive Lector Training session scheduled for Saturday, January 20, at St. Paul's from 10:00 to 11:30 am. This initiative parallels the successful Eucharistic training conducted earlier this month.

This upcoming session is designed to welcome not only those aspiring to become lectors but also encourages the active participation of current lectors.

In the spirit of fostering community engagement, the training extends a warm invitation to the entire Family of Parishes.

Your presence and commitment to this integral aspect of our parish life are greatly appreciated. May God Bless our collective efforts. Call your parish office to sign up or visit: stgasparfamily.org and complete the online sign up.

Fellowship, Food and Fun! The Education and Social Action Commission Annual Potluck and Luncheon

@Holy Trinity, Sunday, January 21 beginning at 12:30 pm

ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND FUN! The Education and Social Action Commission at Holy Trinity Church is sponsoring their annual potluck luncheon on Sunday, January 21, 2024 starting at 12:30 pm

The main course, a Taco Bar, will be provided. If you attend, we ask that you bring a side, an appetizer, OR a dessert.

We have the privilege of having two guest speakers that will bring diverse experiences to the group:

- Lynda Middleton, went to JAIL, well not really, she recently participated in the Kairos prison ministry and will share her experiences from the visit.
- Fr. Seraphine will share the experiences of his first year in the United States, and about his life in Tanzania.



If you plan to join us please RSVP to Leslie leslieiannarino@hotmail.com or Brad @ 937-367-2127 (call or text) by January 14, 2024.

RSVP's are appreciated in order to plan for food. Walk-ins will be welcomed.

Devotionals

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday

3:30-4:30 pm · St. Rita

Tuesday

7:00-8:00 pm · Emmanuel

PrayerMates

Tuesday

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood

Benediction and Adoration

First Thursday of the Month

6:00-7:30 pm · Precious Blood

Third Sunday of the Month

12:45 pm · Holy Trinity

Pray the Rosary

Monday-Saturday

12:45 pm · St. Joseph (after the Noon Mass)

Friday

3:00 pm · Precious Blood Adoration Chapel

Saturday

3:55 pm · St. Rita (before the 4:30 pm Mass)

4:45 pm · Emmanuel (before 5:15 pm Mass)

Sunday

9:30 am · St. Joseph (before 10:00 am Mass)

8:00 am · Precious Blood (before 8:30 am Mass)

8:55 am · St. Rita (before 9:30 am Mass)

10:00 am · Emmanuel (before 10:30 am Mass)

Pray the Rosary for Life

Second Sunday of the Month

8:30 am · Holy Trinity (before 8:30 am Mass)

We pray the rosary for pro-life issues.





Love in Action

January 2024

Updates from Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley

Help for Kinship Caregivers

Catholic Social Services is a partner in **OhioKAN**, a statewide kinship and adoption navigator program that's free of charge and designed to assist those who have adopted children as well as those providing what's known as "kinship care."



When a child cannot live with his or her parents, kinship caregivers often take over the full-time responsibility of caring for that child, providing stability, support and guidance. Kinship caregivers might be grandparents or other relatives, or even a family friend. If you're a kinship caregiver, you may not know about the resources that are available to help you in this sometimes challenging situation.

The first step is to call 1-844-OHIO-KAN to connect with a navigator who'll use the OhioKAN Information Hub to find, analyze, and organize all of the resources available to you based on your exact situation, location, and needs. A Personalized Resource Plan will become the action plan for navigating and accessing the local and statewide resources that fit your situation.



Catholic Social Action

Jillian Foster is a newly appointed Regional Director of Catholic Social Action for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, for Dayton and the Northern Region.



Jill studied at the University of Dayton and hopes to be a resource to parishes, communities, and other organizations in the area for effecting positive and compassionate change through education, community organizing, and advocacy. To get in contact with her directly, feel free to email her at jfoster@catholicaoc.org.


Hispanic Outreach / Alcance Hispano

Catholic Social Services offers support services to Dayton's Hispanic and Spanish-speaking families and individuals. These services are free and include food access through our Dayton food pantry, connection to community resources, connection to mental health, medical and dental support, resources for clothing and school supplies, pregnancy and parenting support, and information about English Language Learner classes.



For more information or to make an appointment, please call our general line at 937.223.7217 ext.2109. Si desea obtener más información o hacer una cita, por favor llame a nuestra línea general: 937.223.7217 ext.2109

Jesus entered into our human history in order to tell us that the Most High cares for us, and to remind us that being on God's side involves caring for someone, especially for those who are in greatest need.



Dec. 15, 2023 tweet from @Pontifex

To learn more about these updates or about Catholic Social Services, visit cssmv.org or call 937.223.7217



Behavioral & Mental Health • Family Stabilization & Success • Guardianship
Hispanic Outreach • Pregnancy & Parenting Support • Refugee Resettlement
Services for Older Adults • Supervised Visitation • Transportation Resources



Calling All Teen Influencers with a Passion for Positivity!

Follow @stgaspar youth and participate in building our brand

Join us in spreading love, hope, and faith through your influence. Embrace your creativity and become a beacon of positivity in the online world. Let's make a difference together by creating Catholic-inspired content that uplifts and inspires. Ready to share your voice and make a positive impact?

Contact our Communications Manager, Joan Macpherson 937-276-5954 or via email: jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org for more information.

Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys January 12

MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS WAS BORN IN 1620 IN TROYES, FRANCE. SHE WAS THE SIXTH OF TWELVE CHILDREN IN A MIDDLE CLASS FAMILY.

WHEN SHE WAS 20, SHE WAS IN A PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY WHEN SHE FELT CALLED TO THE SERVICE OF GOD.

SHE JOINED A GROUP OF WOMEN THAT TAUGHT THE POOR CHILDREN OF TROYES.

THERE SHE HELPED WITH BUILDING A CHAPEL AND HAD THE CROSS ON MOUNT-ROYAL REBUILT.

SHE TAUGHT THE YOUNG WOMEN WHO CAME TO CANADA TO MARRY AND RAISE FAMILIES.

SHE HAD HELPED THE PEOPLE OF THE NEW SETTLEMENT SO MUCH THAT THEY CALLED HER "THE MOTHER OF THE COLONY." SHE TAUGHT THE FAITH TO THE MOTHERS BECAUSE SHE KNEW THAT THEY WOULD BE THE FIRST ONES TO TEACH THE FAITH TO THEIR CHILDREN.

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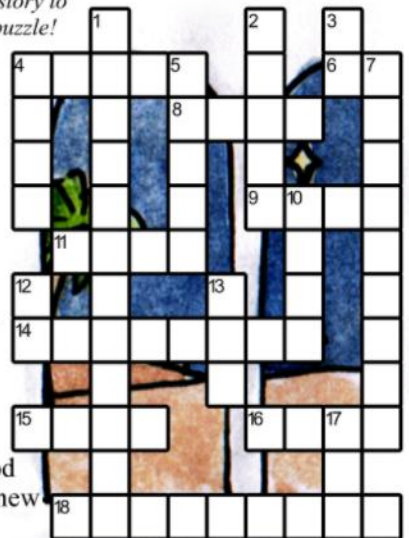
EPIPHANY CROSS-WORD

Fill in the blanks in the story to find the words for the puzzle!

Around the time that _____ (2d) was born, some wise men from the _____ (8a) saw in the sky a special _____ (9a) at _____ (13d) rising, and followed it to _____ (11a) the newborn Saviour. First they came to Jerusalem where _____ (10d) went to ask _____ (15a) Herod if he knew where the new King would be born.

_____ (12d) Herod did not know, he called the priests and scribes, who told them that the Baby would be born in _____ (18a). Then Herod told a _____ (17d) and said that he wanted to go and honour the Baby King too, and told the men to return once they had found him and tell him where the Baby was. The men were _____ (7d) when they found Jesus with his mother _____ (4d), and they did him homage, giving their gifts of _____ (16a), _____ (1d)

and _____ (4a). But _____ (3d) night an angel appeared _____ (6a) them and told them to _____ (14a) go home by another road, since King _____ (5d) wanted to kill Baby Jesus.



Answers to Cross-Word: Across: 4. myrrh 6. to 8. East 9. star 11. find 14. secretly 15. King 16. gold 18. Bethlehem Down: 1. frankincense 2. Jesus 3. at 4. Mary 5. Herod 7. overjoyed 10. they 12. as 13. its 17. lie

Revitalize, Renew, Reconnect Data Clean Up for a Stronger Parish Family

For Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita Parishioners

It's time for us to ensure that our Church database accurately reflects your family membership information. Have there been any changes, additions, or deletions in your family over the past year? To help maintain the accuracy of our records we will be sending a form to all of our active parishioner's addresses in early 2024. This form will provide you with a convenient way to update your information. Your cooperation in this matter is highly appreciated, as it helps us maintain an accurate and up-to-date database.

We are collecting the following information:

1. Contact Information:
 - Have you changed your phone number?
 - Are you no longer using a landline?
2. Residential Details:
 - Have you recently moved or are planning to move soon?
3. Family Composition:
 - If your household is now an empty nest, and you no longer wish to list your children at your address, please let us know.
4. Privacy Preferences:
 - Do you want your information to be published?

To complete the online form visit:

northwestdaytoncatholic.org/2024-parish-database-update or scan the QR code with your phone.



Simplify Generosity

@ the Englewood Meijer

Our SVDP Food Pantry will benefit from donation cards purchased at the Englewood Meijer store now through March 30. In addition, Meijer will double-match all customer cards on Sat., March 2 and Sat., March 23, effectively tripling contributions made on this day. Meijer customers shopping online using Meijer Pickup or Home Delivery can also include Simply Give donation cards as an add-on to their orders.

We encourage our community to give and help us feed their neighbors in need in Dayton by purchasing a Meijer Simply Give food donation card during their next shopping trip.

The Northwest Dayton Food Pantry is a ministry of Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita parishes.



'Tis The Season of Giving

Donate Your Gently Used Christmas Items

@St. Paul from Monday to Thursday between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm

'Tis the season of giving, and what better way to spread holiday cheer than by donating your gently used Christmas decorations to the St. Paul Holiday Bazaar? As you sort through your unwanted items, consider giving them a new purpose by contributing to our cause. If you have strings of lights, we kindly request that they be new and still in the box.

Thank you for your support, and may you have a Merry Christmas!



Senior Program and Lunch

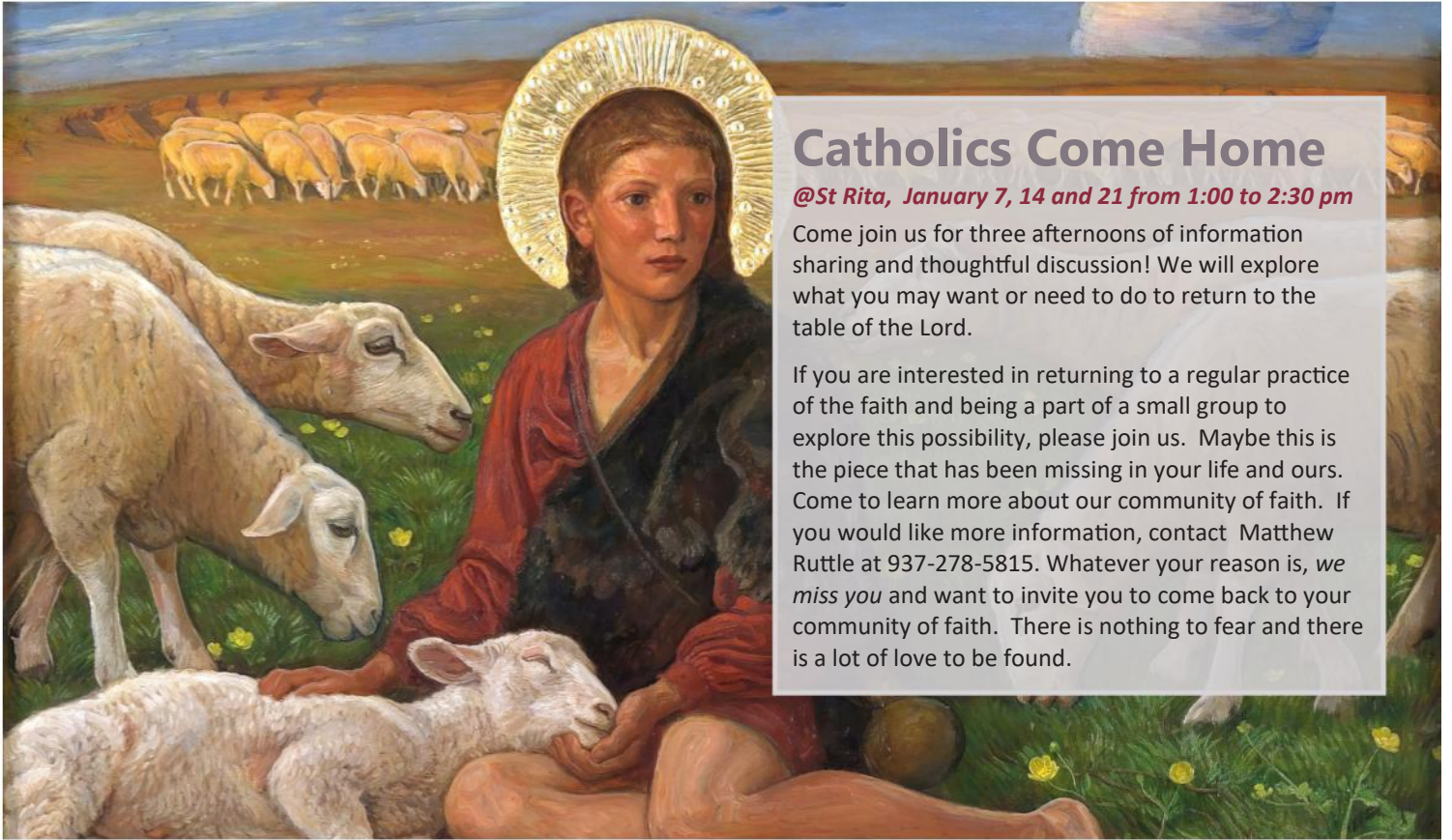
Bingo with Melissa and Patrick

@ St. Paul, Wednesday, January 10 from Noon to 2:00 pm

Presented by Dayton Metro Library, Northmont Branch

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Wednesday sessions. Whether it's a themed event, a special guest speaker, or a celebration of milestones, there's always something exciting happening at our Senior Program and Lunch. We look forward to welcoming you to our next gathering.

Reservations for Bingo are due Monday, January 8. Call 937-836-7535.



Catholics Come Home

@St Rita, January 7, 14 and 21 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm

Come join us for three afternoons of information sharing and thoughtful discussion! We will explore what you may want or need to do to return to the table of the Lord.

If you are interested in returning to a regular practice of the faith and being a part of a small group to explore this possibility, please join us. Maybe this is the piece that has been missing in your life and ours. Come to learn more about our community of faith. If you would like more information, contact Matthew Ruttle at 937-278-5815. Whatever your reason is, we miss you and want to invite you to come back to your community of faith. There is nothing to fear and there is a lot of love to be found.



Your Journey Begins Here

Mother Brunner will begin registering new students January 16, 2024. Mother Brunner provides a Christ-centered learning environment that promotes social, emotional, and academic growth. Learn more at:

brunnercatholicsschool.org.

St. Vincent De Paul Meals

*@ Precious Blood
Tuesday, January 9*

- Group A: Off
- Group B: Salad
- Group C: Pies
- Group D: Entrée

St. Vincent meals may be dropped off at the Precious

Blood Rectory office on Mondays between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and Tuesdays between from 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. or to Precious Blood Church the Sunday before and given to an usher before Mass. Frozen entrees can be dropped off at the Precious Blood rectory anytime during regular office hours.



Christmas Basket Gratitude

From the NW Dayton St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Thank you for your generous gift cards, cash, and volunteer time donations!

Due to the generosity of so

many parishioners, we provided over 100 families with Christmas baskets. It was an honor to share in so many families' Christmas joy. We also sincerely appreciate all of the NW Dayton Pantry volunteers who had been preparing for this event since October, and all of you who helped fill baskets, coordinate the distribution, greet recipients, direct traffic, load cars, and clean up. Thank you for making our Christmas Basket Project a wonderful event again this year.

The members of the St. Rita, St Paul, and Precious Blood St. Vincent De Paul Conference wish you a blessed and merry Christmas!

Annual Fish & Sausage Fundraiser

Purchase Your Tickets Next Weekend!

Purchase Tickets After Mass at all Downtown Parishes

The Annual Fundraiser Dinner hosted by the Emmanuel St. Vincent de Paul Conference will take place on January 27, 2024, from 6:00 to 10:00 pm at Bainbridge Hall. For your convenience, tickets for the Dinner and/or Cash Raffle can be purchased next weekend, January 13/14, after all Masses in the back of the three downtown parishes or call Terri at 937-572-3626.

Dinner Tickets are limited - so don't miss out!

Hope to see you there!!



NOTRE DAME Folk CHOIR WINTER TOUR

THURSDAY
JANUARY 11, 2024
7:00 p.m.

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
149 FRANKLIN STREET
DAYTON, OHIO 45402

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT FOLKCHOIR.ND.EDU

The Emmanuel Parish Music Program Fund Strike the Right Chord

@Emmanuel

Established by Bernie Chachula in loving memory of Mary Chachula, The Emmanuel Parish Music Program Fund is an ongoing financial resource for the promotion of many facets of our music program which reach beyond the normal scope of its budget, such as providing music lesson scholarships for parishioners interested in sharing their talents with us, funding special guests, and purchasing extraordinary musical equipment or music.

How Can You Help?

Donations for the continuance of this program fund are always welcome; if you would like to offer a gift, please contact Michelle Carner, Music Director, at 937-478-4097 or place your donation in the offertory collection basket in an envelope marked, "Emmanuel Parish Music Program Fund".



Winter Ageless Grace Series

Register by Thursday, January 11

@Trinity Center January 15 through February 12 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Bonita from FirstLight Home Care will once again be leading this simple, playful and fun exercise program based on the science of neuroplasticity. Along with music, it uses all five areas of the brain. This seated class is beneficial to anyone of any age and mobility. Register now for the next five week series being offered Mondays, Jan. 15, 2024 through Feb.12, 2024 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm in Trinity Center, at Holy Trinity Church. Cost is \$35.00 per person and a minimum of 10 registrants is needed to hold the class. Pre-registration is required. Contact Sharon Becker for more information and to register by 4pm, Thursday, Jan.11th at 937-228-1223.



Get a Life...Full of Blessings

Volunteer and find your community

Altar Server Training

@St. Joseph

St. Joseph has a need for Mass servers. Training will be provided. If interested, please contact the parish office.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

@Holy Trinity

Interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister? We are especially in need of Ministers of the blood of Christ for the 11:30 am Sunday Mass. Training is available. Call the parish office at 937-228-1223.

Decoration Dismantling

@St. Joseph, Monday, January 8 starting at 1:00 pm

The church Christmas decorations will be taken down on Monday, January 8, starting at 1:00pm. Your help is greatly appreciated. We hope to see you there.

Have You Joined Flocknote? Signing Up is Easy!

Text: GETGASPAR To: 84576 Or connect online at our custom URL: [Stgasparfamilydayton.flocknote.com](https://stgasparfamilydayton.flocknote.com). Keep in touch with us via email and text. Flocknote will be used to send our weekly E-Newsletter and other important updates. We are merging our Family of Parishes with the already existing Downtown Flocknote account, so if you have already subscribed, no action is required. Members who subscribed to our Constant Contact list will be added. If you are new to our electronic communication tools sign up today!

Many Thanks

From Holy Trinity

Many thanks go to the church cleaners, decorators, ushers, choir, musicians, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, altar servers, Deacon Mike Prier, Father Santiago and Fr. Seraphine for the beautiful Christmas Masses.

Envelope Update

From Holy Trinity

Are You Looking For Your Offertory Envelopes? Apologies are in order. Due to an oversight the order was misplaced and got in late. They should be here by mid-January. In the meantime, if you would like to donate on line, you can go to our webpage holyltrinitydayton.org and choose online giving and follow the steps.

Coffee & Donuts

@St. Joseph

Sunday, January 14

Coffee & Donuts will be held on Sunday, January 14, in the Parish Life Center after the 10:00am Mass. All are welcome! You are invited to bring your favorite dish to share. Items can be dropped off, before Mass, starting at 9:30am.

Honoring Your Service

@St. Joseph

If you are Active Military and wish to be recognized for your service, please give your name and Branch of Military to an Usher 10 minutes before Mass so Father can make the announcement after Mass. We thank you for your service!

Our Stewardship

Precious Blood, December 24/25

Sunday Collection \$5,275.50
Christmas Day \$4,869
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Area News

New Safe Parish

Training Module Due

With lots of school and youth group events coming up in the new year, please make sure you are up to date on the child protection quarterly bulletins through Safe Parish™. You will not be able to work/volunteer with youth without your Safe Parish™ account being kept up to date. Please direct questions regarding bulletin completion to your parish/school safe environment coordinator. Thank you for all you are doing and please stay safe and healthy!

St. Dymphna Prayer Service

@ Maria Stein Shrine, January 23 at 7:00 pm

The winter months can be hard for many people and may cause stress, anxiety, fear, sadness, and loneliness. We invite everyone to join us as we pray for the intercession of St. Dymphna. This service will be held in the Adoration Chapel and will include scripture, prayer, and relic veneration. Maria Stein Shrine is located at 2291 St. John Rd. Maria Stein, Ohio.

Divorce Card

@St. Francis, Beginning Thursday, January 11

It is not too late to join our Christian-based divorce-recovery support group. The group meets for 13 weeks, on Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm from January 11 through April 11 at St. Francis of Assisi Campus . 11 th – Apr. 11 th @ St. Francis of Assisi Campus, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville.

For information and to register, call Marcelle Toma (937) 312-1157 (Not a texting number) or send an email to mtoma@woh.rr.com

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Live Stream Mass

@Precious Blood Church

The 8:30 am Sunday Mass at Precious Blood Church is live streamed.

Visit: <https://northwestdaytoncatholic.org/live-stream/>

@ St. Joseph Church

The 10:00 am Sunday Mass at St. Joseph is live streamed. Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/DaytonCatholic/>

Parish Information

Baptisms

Call your parish office to schedule. If this is your first child, or if you have never attended a baptism class please call your parish office to register for a baptismal preparation class.

Baptismal

Preparation Class

You may attend class at any of our Family of Parishes. Registration is required, to register contact your parish office.

Upcoming Classes and locations:

January 15, 2024 at 7:00 pm, St. Paul

February 3, 2024 at 10:00 am, St. Joseph

March 2, 2024 at 10:00 am, Holy Trinity

Care of the Sick and Elderly

Parishioners, who are confined to their homes and wish to receive Communion, please call your Parish Office.

Marriage

Please call your Parish Office at least seven months in advance to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

RCIA or Catholic Life

Those adults wishing to enter the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist), contact your parish office.

Bulletin Deadline

If you would like to submit an article for an upcoming bulletin the due dates are as follows:

Sunday, January 21 due Thursday, January 11

Sunday, January 28 due Thursday, January 18

Full Page Flyers

If you are sending a full page flyer for the bulletin please understand that we may not be able to run a full page and may have to alter the flyer. Please contact Joan Macpherson with any questions or concerns, jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org

St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List

Our six parishes have combined their prayer lists into one, symbolizing our unity and shared faith. Names in bold represent new additions. To add or remove a name, please contact your parish office.

David Aivalotis
Julie and Rodney Behrens
Rose Belt
Benito & Family
Megan Benjamin
Bill
Ben Bishop
Alma Davis
Mike Goetz
Carol Greer
Sue Hartenstein
Stuart Hartenstein
Betty Hicks
Marie Henry
Joe & Zoa Hunter
A.J. Jones

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Keith & Janee Lawrence & Family
Cathy Lecklider
Luke Mangen
Rose Marchal
Fr. Joe Massucci
Barbara McDaniel
Dean & Lee Miller
Vanessa Padgett
Carolyn Palmer
Lynn Postlethwaithe
Kathy Profit
Leslie Puthoff
Tom Ruempling
Ruth & Family
Ron Seibert

Millard Joseph Seth
Joe & Angela Seyfferle
Ed Stanziano
Steven & Family
Karen Thomas
Tony Trick
Scott & Meghan Tygett & Family
Richard Walker
Joann Weisenbach
Sharon Wenzel
Mary Ann Widdowson
Cynthia Wittman
Jack & Ann Wolf

Names remain on the prayer list for four weeks unless we are notified otherwise.

Rest In Peace: Our Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Emmanuel parishioner Viola Boeke who passed away recently and to the Family of Tom Mullen buried from Holy Trinity. We also extend our sympathy to the family of Jim Ginn whose funeral Mass was offered at St. Joseph on December 21. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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