

December 1, 2024, First Sunday of Advent



SAINT GASPAR

FAMILY OF PARISHES

Emmanuel

149 Franklin Street
Dayton, OH 45402
937.228.2013

Holy Trinity

272 Bainbridge Street
Dayton, OH 45402
937.228.1223

Precious Blood

4961 Salem Avenue
Dayton, OH 45416
937.276.5954

Saint Joseph

411 East Second Street
Dayton, OH 45402
937.228.9272

Saint Paul

1000 W. Wenger Road
Englewood, OH 45322
937.836.7535

Saint Rita

5401 N. Main Street
Dayton, OH 45415
937.278.5815





St. Gaspar Family of Parishes

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Pastor, Fr. Anthony Fortman, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar, Fr. Seraphine Lesiriam, C.P.P.S.,
Parochial Vicar Fr. Jim "Santiago" Gaynor, C.P.P.S.

Pastor's Desk



In Luke's gospel we hear Jesus telling us about his second coming.

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength

to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

Jesus expects us to be vigilant. To be ready for his second coming. Not to give into the way of the world of drunkenness and carousing. Jesus expects us to exercise self-discipline in our actions with others. Jesus also mentions the anxieties of daily life. That you and I must work and pay taxes and this can cause anxiety. Even if we work, we are still called to draw close to Jesus and pray.

You can be sure that Jesus will come again to this earth but He will come as judge. He will judge our lives. This may be a more stern disposition than we're used to. At this time on earth we're living in, Jesus is merciful and He's giving us a chance to draw close to Him and His teachings. Jesus is encouraging us to make disciples of all nations. But someday that will come to an end and God will judge what we've done here on earth and what we haven't done.

Jesus just keeps telling us to be ready and to be vigilant. Advent is that time to practice readiness.

God bless you all,

Fr. Tony

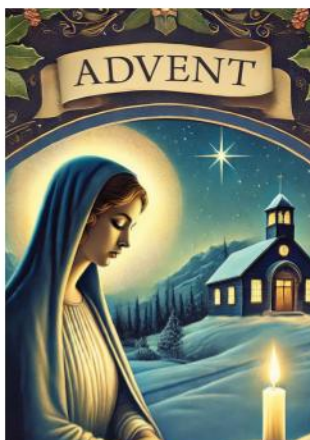
Fr. Tony is pictured at Mother Brunner's Thanksgiving lunch that took place on Wednesday, November 20. Staff members from left to right: Sue Seibert, Fr. Tony, Julie Behrens and Elizabeth Brown.

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Confession Schedule

Monday - Saturday

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

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm | Emmanuel

4:00-4:20 pm | St. Joseph

3:30-4:20 pm | St. Rita

Sunday

8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity

Advent reconciliation times are on page 4.

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, December 2, 2024

7:30 am**Holy Trinity** For Our Parishioners
 8:30 am**Precious Blood** Celebrant's Intentions
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** †Sheila Kilgore

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

7:30 am**Holy Trinity** †Maria Lowman
 8:30 am**St. Rita** †Celebrant's Intentions
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** †Dane Gilbert

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

7:30 am**Emmanuel** †Mary Ann Robinson
 8:30 am**St. Paul** . †Deceased Members of the Lawrence Family
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** †Gerry Slattery

Thursday, December 5, 2024

7:30 am**Emmanuel** †Chris Enochs
 8:30 am**St. Paul** †Ed Thomas
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** †Ed Thomas

Friday, December 6, 2024

7:30 am**Emmanuel** †L/D James/Evelyn McCarthy Family
 8:30 am**Precious Blood** †Celebrant's Intention
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** Carolyn & Jerry Palmer,
 Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, December 7, 2024

7:30 am**Emmanuel** †Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Trick & Family
 12:00 pm**St. Joseph** †Sam Bitonti
 4:30 pm**St. Rita** For Our Parishioners
 5:00 pm**Emmanuel** †Eugene & Mary Wilson

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 am**Holy Trinity** .. †Dec. Members of the Moorman Family
 8:30 am**Precious Blood** †Dan Zinnikas
 8:30 am**St. Rita** †Laura Keefe
 10:30 am**St. Joseph** †Russell & Florence Donauer
 10:30 am**Emmanuel** For Our parishioners
 10:30 am**St. Paul** Kathy Sadlier

Pray the Rosary Before Mass

St. Joseph (before 10:30 am Mass)
 Precious Blood (before 8:30 am Mass)
 St. Rita (before 8:30 am Mass)
 Emmanuel (before 10:30 am Mass)
 St. Paul (before 10:30 am Mass)

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Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 1, 2024

Monday Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday **Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**
 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday **Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
 Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday **Second Sunday of Advent**
 Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

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

Parish Calendar

Monday, December 2

Our Lady of the Precious Blood Group
7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Miraculous Medal Novena
11:30am-12:15 pm · St. Rita/Church

Tuesday, December 3

Miraculous Medal Novena
7:00-8:00 pm · Emmanuel/Church

Prayer Mates Book Read | Spiritual Combat
7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Pope Francis, Encyclical Book Read
7:00-8:30 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Wednesday, December 4

Lunch with the Lord
11:45 am-1:00 pm · Holy Trinity/Mtg. Room

Widower Meeting
2:00-3:00 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Implementation Team
6:00-9:00 pm · Emmanuel/Mtg. Room

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

Thursday, December 5

Adoration and Benediction
6:00-7:30 pm · St. Rita/Church

Combined Councils Meeting
6:30-8:00 pm · Emmanuel/School

Book Read— Jesus and the Jewish Roots
7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Friday, December 6

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

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
6:00-9:00 pm · St. Paul/Annex

Healing Mass
7:00-9:00 pm · Emmanuel/Church

Saturday, December 7

Good News! Bible Study
9:30-11:00 am · Holy Trinity/Mtg. Room

CCD
9:30-11:00 am · Emmanuel/School

Baptism Class (Rectory)
10:00-11:30 am · Holy Trinity

Sunday, December 8

Donut Sunday
After 10:30 am Mass · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Coffee & Donuts
After 10:30 am Mass · St. Joseph/Parish Center

Children's Faith Formation
9:00 am St. Paul · Mtg. Room

Precious Blood Companions
1:00 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

Family Rosary & Potluck
5:00 pm · Precious Blood/Church & Mtg. Room

Advent and Christmas

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, December 9, 2024

Holy Trinity	7:30 am
Precious Blood	8:30 am
St. Joseph	Noon
Emmanuel	5:15 pm
St. Rita	7:00 pm

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 15, 2024

St. Joseph - 2:00 PM

Advent Reconciliation Services

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

St. Rita - 9:15-11:00 AM (after morning Mass)
Emmanuel - 6:30 pm

Thursday, December 19, 2024

Precious Blood - 7:00 PM

Fourth Week of Advent

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

St. Rita - 8:30 AM

This will be the only morning weekday Mass for our St. Gaspar Family for the fourth week in Advent

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Precious Blood - 4:30 PM
St. Joseph - 4:30 PM
Holy Trinity - 5:30 PM
Emmanuel - 10:00 PM

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25, 2024

Holy Trinity - 8:30 AM
St. Rita - 8:30 AM
Emmanuel - 10:30 AM
St. Joseph - 10:30 AM
St. Paul - 10:30 AM

Retirement Fund for Religious

Next Weekend in our Family of Parishes

Aging religious need your help. "Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement," says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

7-9 PM

DEC. 7-9

BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER

and take her into your home

An Advent Retreat on Marian Consecration
according to St. Maximilian Kolbe with
Fr. Elias Mary Mills F.I.

Emmanuel Church
Old School Building
149 Franklin St.
Dayton, Ohio
937-228-2013



Fr. Elias Mary Mills, F.I., a Nebraska native, joined the Franciscans of the Immaculate in 1993 and was ordained a priest in 2000. He has served as a missionary in Australia, Retreat Director in Indiana, and Rector at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Wisconsin. Now based at the Marian Friary of Our Lady of Guadalupe, he travels widely, giving retreats and talks inspired by his deep devotion to Our Lady.

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Advent and Christmas in Our Family of Parishes

Come and celebrate Our Blessed Mother
Saturday, Dec 7 ✦ Emmanuel Church

10:30 am - Adoration and Rosary
in the Church
11:00 am - Lunch and
Party in the Parish Center
12:30 pm party ends

- ★ Lunch
- ★ Games
- ★ Crafts
- ★ Music



All children and families are welcome.

(Please bring something to share- Mexican food, fruit,
veggies, etc.)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Party

White Elephant Christmas Party

Dare to Date!

Marriage Uncorked

*@Emmanuel, Saturday, December 14
from 6:30-9:00 pm*

Dare to Date! Marriage Uncorked invites you and your spouse or fiancé to a Family Feud style white elephant Christmas party on Saturday, December 14th from 6:30-9:00 pm in the school building at Emmanuel Catholic Church. We will test your knowledge of all things Christmas!

Please bring one inexpensive gift per couple (real or gag gift) and a snack to share. Babysitting is available for this event, \$4 per child or \$15 family max. RSVP to Courtney Mark at marriageuncorked@gmail.com.



St. Joseph Church
invites you to our Advent
Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 15
at 2:00 p.m.
St. Joseph Church

We will celebrate a service of scripture and song that recounts the Fall of Humanity, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News.

Each scripture lesson is followed by a carol or song that reflects the lesson's message and a brief prayer. This is a wonderful way to prepare for the coming of Christmas!

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Featured in Our Family of Parishes

Knights of Columbus - St Paul



**& Monte
Carlo Night**

Cod loin dinner includes fries, fresh sausage, baked beans, coleslaw, sauerkraut, bread, and cookies.

Beer and soft drinks included.

Come Join the Fun !

**Monte-Carlo / Raffles / Horse Racing
Blackjack / Games of Chance**



Friday, December 6, 2024 | 6 to 10 p.m.

**St. Paul Catholic Church, Pilliod Hall
1000 W. Wenger Rd., Englewood**

\$20 per person

\$15 Carryout (5:30 to 6 p.m. only!)

Tickets are available at each parish office and after each Mass at St Paul, St Rita, and Precious Blood

Sponsored by Marian Knights of Columbus #3754
Over 90% of proceeds are donated to local charities

YOU MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND

Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita

Advent Service Project A Baby Shower for Mary

Gift Cards	Amazon or Walmart
Layettes	Cotton Receiving Blankets Newborn Hats Multipack Cotton Flannel or Terry Burp Cloths Colorful or Patterned Multipack Onesies Multi-Pack Infant Socks
Diapers	Diapers (Sizes 3 and up) Pull-ups (All sizes) Wipes Diaper Genie Pail and Refills Diaper Creme
Equipment	Swing High Chair Pack'n Play Exersaucer Stroller, Full Size / Umbrella Boppy Support Pillow Cool Mist Humidifier Baby Monitor Car Seat
Misc	Clothing Newborn to 5T Hooded Bath Towels and Washcloths Backpack Style Diaper Bags Bibs Infant Toys, Rattles, and Teethers Infant Grooming/Healthcare Kits Infant Bath Tub Baby Proofing Safety Kits Infant/Toddler Shampoo, Soap and Lotion Booster Seat / Bumbo Chair Potty Seat / Chair



SCAN TO SHOP OUR
AMAZON REGISTRY

PLEASE RETURN UNWRAPPED GIFTS BY:
DECEMBER 24, 2024

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ERICA RUDEMILLER (937)836-7535
ERUDEMILLER@PRECIOUSBLOODCHURCH.ORG

ENLC Contact: Kayla Berry, Development Officer- Dayton
(937) 991-0161 kberry@enlc.life

All items will be donated to Elizabeth's New Life Center to stock the baby boutique and layettes. Elizabeth's New Life Center provides positive solutions to unexpected pregnancies by offering free pregnancy tests, ultrasound scans, consulting/mentoring, prenatal care and material assistance.

Benediction and Adoration

*@St. Rita, Thursday, December 5
From 6:00-7:30 pm*

Adoration is more than a moment of prayer; it is an invitation to a deeper relationship with Jesus. Here, we can rest at His feet, bringing our joys, sorrows, questions, and hopes before Him. Whether you seek clarity in your life, a quiet moment of thanksgiving, or simply a chance to listen to God, Adoration offers a unique opportunity to connect with Him directly.

Senior Program & Lunch Charcuterie!

*@St. Paul, Wednesday, December 4
From Noon-2:00 pm*

Lunch and program sponsored by Brookdale. We will be learning how to make a charcuterie board.

Please call to make reservations by noon on Monday, December 2, 937-836-7535.



Children's Faith Formation Baby Shower for Mary

Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita's Children's Faith Formation are collecting the above items as part of an Advent service project. Items may be dropped off at your parish. Please contact Erica Rudemiller if you have questions.

Thank You to our St. Rita Lawn Crew!

From Matt Ruttie

Have you ever wondered who have been taking such good and expert care of St. Rita's lawns, gardens, and our grounds? I am listing below the names of these men and woman who have selflessly given of their time and efforts each Wednesday morning from later March to mid-November. Our volunteer lawn crew maintains and constantly upgrades the beauty of the church grounds. Please offer your heartfelt thanks to these good people: Mary Krueger, Larry Heinz, Bruce Oswald, Ed Kimball, Fred Fields, Dave Nieport, and their leader, Joe Bachmann. Kudos and hearty thanks to all of these persons! May our good God richly bless you and your families. Peace, Matt Ruttie

Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita



SVDP Giving Tree

Gift Cards and Cereal Needed this Year

Annual Christmas Basket Distribution Saturday, December 21

This year, our Christmas Basket distribution will take place on Saturday, December 21, at the Northwest Regional Pantry at St. Paul Church. With your support, we hope to provide food baskets and gift cards for children to families in the communities surrounding Precious Blood, St. Rita's, and St. Paul's parishes. Most of the food will come from the Dayton Food Bank and the Meijer "Simply Give" program, so we will not be collecting turkeys or other food items, except for cereal.

We need 100 boxes of cereal for the gift baskets. In addition, we are asking for \$20 or \$25 gift cards from Meijer or Walmart to help provide for the families' needs. We'll need a large number of gift cards, so feel free to donate anytime before Advent. Starting this weekend, there will be donation boxes at each parish for your gift card contributions.

St. Gaspar Family

Precious Blood Companions

@Precious Blood, Sunday, December 8

From 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Missionaries of the Precious Blood is a community of Catholic priests, brothers, and lay associates called by God to heal and restore relationships in the Church and the world. Our parish family is home to a Precious Blood Companion group of lay associates who share the Missionaries' beliefs and live the Precious Blood spirituality. They gain strength and spiritual wisdom from the time spent at monthly Companion gatherings and through their connection with the Missionaries at community events. The NW Dayton group meets the second Sunday of the month from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. All are welcome in our Family of Parishes.

For more information contact: John Hess - hessjp77@gmail.com or Eileen Givens at companions.preciousblood@gmail.com.

Family Rosary & Potluck

@Precious Blood, Sunday, December 8

from 5:00-6:30 pm

This is the final Family Rosary and Potluck for 2024. All are welcome to join us to pray the rosary in church, followed by a potluck gathering in the Gaspar Room. Bring your favorite side dish to share, we provide the beverages and main course.

To add a little fun to this our final gathering for the year, we encourage families to bring a favorite Holiday side dish or dessert to share. If you have a family story that goes along with your favorite dish, be prepared to share that story!

RSVP to Curtis Kneblik : 937-276-5954 ext. 2111 via email: ckneblik@preciousbloodchurch.org.

Deepen your roots in Christ this Advent.

Embark on a powerful journey with *Rooted: Rediscover the Jesse Tree*. In just 7 minutes a day, explore Scripture, uncover the stories of Christ's ancestors, and experience meaningful Advent reflections that connect faith to your daily life.

Plus! Bring this rich Catholic tradition into your home with FREE Jesse Tree ornament coloring sheets.

Available only on **FORMED.org**

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Holy Trinity, Emmanuel and St. Joseph



ADVENT WORKSHOP
FOR
ALL AGES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024
9:30 – 11:00AM
TRINITY CENTER

COME, ENJOY CRAFTS, SNACKS, INSPIRATION
OR JUST RELAXING IN FRONT OF THE FIREPLACE WITH A HOT CUP OF
COCOA

Please let us know that you will be coming by calling the church office
(937) 228-1223 or emailing Lynda at Lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com by 12/1/24.

The Emmanuel St Vincent de Paul Conference

will be hosting our 11th Annual Fundraiser Fish/Sausage Dinner
on January 25, 2025, from 6-10 pm.
The evening's festivities will include:

CASH RAFFLE and Other Games of Chance

TICKETS		
CASH RAFFLE	OTHER:	Silent Auction
Prizes:	Split the Pot	-baskets
-1st: \$750	Tear-Offs	-gift cards
-2nd: \$200	Horse Racing	-jewelry
-3rd: \$100	Black Jack	-services
-4-8th: \$50	Bingo	

Vincetians will be selling tickets for the CASH RAFFLE starting the weekend
of December 7/8 which are priced at \$2.00 each or three tickets for \$5.00.

You need not be present at the Dinner to win the CASH RAFFLE!

Pro-Life Committee Bake Sale

@Emmanuel, after Mass

The Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee will sell fruitcakes and homemade baked goods after the weekend Masses on the following dates:

- December 7/8
- December 14/15

Support this delicious way to raise funds for pro-life organizations.

Coffee and Donuts with Santa

@St. Joseph, Sunday, December 8

Coffee & Donuts will be held on Sunday December 8, in the Parish Center, after the 10:30 am Mass. Santa will be making a visit! Do you have a favorite, traditional, or festive holiday dish you would like to share? Items can be dropped off before Mass, starting at 10:00am. All are welcome!

Holiday Help Family

@Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity will once again partner with Miami Valley Catholic Social Services in the Holiday Help Family.

At this time we do not have all the particulars but if you wish to participate, please call the parish office to get your name of this list to help make someone's Christmas a little brighter.

Bring in Nonperishable

Food Items

@Holy Trinity

We are collecting nonperishable food items for our SVDP Emmanuel Food Pantry.

This concludes with the Mass of Thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Eve at 6:00 p.m. Bins are in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.

Cleaning Brigade

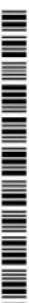
@St. Joseph, Wednesday, December 11

On the second Wednesday of every month at 9:00am, the cleaning brigade cleans the church. Please consider joining the crew on December 11. Additional help is appreciated!

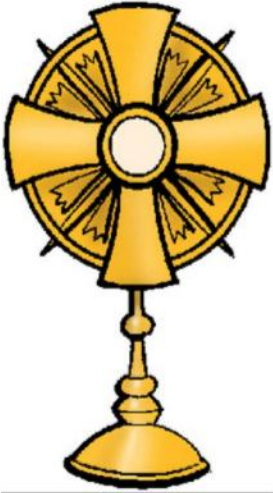
Decorating at St. Joseph

@St. Joseph, Sunday, December 22

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 22, at 1:00pm. All are welcome to help!



Holy Trinity, Emmanuel and St. Joseph



Adoration During Advent

Spend Time with our Lord!

@St. Joseph, Beginning Saturday, December 7

There will be Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays during Advent at St. Joseph Church following the Noon Mass until 4:00 pm.

There will be private meditation as well as occasional group prayer as follows:

12:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Rosary

3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayer to the Divine Mercy

3:30 Rosary – Joyful Mysteries

4:00 Benediction, followed by opportunity for Confession

Come for an hour - or just drop in for a few minutes whenever you can for personal prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He'll be waiting for you.

Evening Prayer for Advent

@Holy Trinity, Wednesdays beginning December 4

Feeling rushed and harried this season? Take a few moments to pray Evening and Night Prayer in our quiet and beautiful church. We will gather each Wednesday during Advent at 6:00pm beginning December 4 to refresh our bodies and our souls.

No experience or registration is necessary. Just come and pray.

Holy Trinity Gets Ready

Christmas Poinsettia Donations

@Holy Trinity until December 16

We are accepting donations poinsettias until December 16 to further beautify the sanctuary for the Christmas season. Donations along with the names of individuals you wish remembered are accepted. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked "flowers" in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Call the parish office for questions at 937-228-1223.

Get the Church Ready

Monday, December 16, from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

There are other opportunities to participate in making Holy Trinity church beautiful for Christmas. We will be doing a general church cleaning, i.e. oiling the pews, scrubbing the kneelers and marble walls.

Set Up the Christmas Trees

Sunday December 22 after 8:30 am Mass

We will setup Christmas trees, the stable and wreaths at Holy Trinity. Strong backs and willing workers are needed at each of the above times. Come join in getting our beautiful church ready for the Christmas season.

Giving Tree

Take an Ornament from the Tree

@Holy Trinity

Our Giving Tree is in place in the sanctuary. The names of our elderly parishioners will be on ornaments. If you would like to send a card or pay a visit to let our senior parishioners know that they are being thought of, please take an ornament from the tree.

Almsgiving Project

@ Holy Trinity

This year our Almsgiving Project is to collect personal care items for the St. Vincent de Paul Shelter:

Individual Tissue Packs and Tissue Boxes

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Wide Tooth Combs
- Brushes
- Deodorant (men and women)
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Bodywash
- African-American Hair Care Products
- Chapstick/Individual Lip Balms
- Razors
- Shaving Cream (men and women)
- Nail Trimmers
- Lotion

Let's fill the area under our giving tree with these gifts!
Thank you.



Our Stewardship

Are you aware that when you attend another church and drop your envelope in the collection basket, it is sent to your home parish?

Online Giving

As an added convenience all of our parishes offer online giving. If you are interested in online giving, call your parish office:

Emmanuel: 937-228-2013

Holy Trinity: 937-228-1223

Precious Blood: 937-276-5954

St. Joseph: 937-228-9272

St. Paul: 937-836-7535

St. Rita: 937-278-5815

Due to the early bulletin deadline for Thanksgiving, the November 24 offertory totals will be included in the December 8 bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.

From the St Gaspar Respect Life Group

Dec 1—Week 37

We are now in the month that Jesus will be born! Today, he is getting acquainted with a new sensation. His mother has been riding a donkey all day, and its steady rocking motion keeps lulling him back to sleep. Then, a jolt will occasionally wake him back up. Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!



Area News

Charity Ticket Auction

Presented by the Northmont Area Sales Network

Proceeds Benefitting:

The Community Table Local Outreach Programs



When: Thursday, December 5, 2024

Doors Open: 6:15 pm

Auction Starts: 7:00 pm sharp

Where: VFW Post 9582

4170 Old Springfield Rd., Vandalia

\$3.00 Admission includes 1 bidding Paddle

Tickets sold in \$5 increments. Each ticket is worth a quarter.

Unlimited Bidding on each item with only 1 Paddle number.

You could win a \$25 item with just 1 ticket! Tickets Expire at End of Auction.

No one under 18 admitted! NO EXCEPTIONS!

Earn **FREE Chinese Raffle Tickets** by donating gift card boxes, kids Xmas wrapping paper & stocking stuffers (maximum of 5 tickets earned)

Earn a **FREE** ticket for bringing sharpie markers or ticket rolls for NASN (any type/color) Earn a **FREE** ticket for paying exactly \$3 at the door!

*Remember to RSVP to our Facebook Event & you will be entered into a drawing for a **FREE** gift*

Concessions are donated by the vendors and are available to purchase.

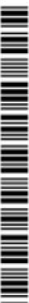
*All proceeds go to the charity. Please **NO** outside food or drinks*

Proceeds from this auction will go to purchasing and delivering holiday gifts for local families in need.



Mark your calendars for our upcoming 2023 Auction Dates!

(Jan. & Feb. NO Auction) we will be back March 6th



St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Directory & Parish Information

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:

St. Rita 7:00 pm December 8
Holy Trinity 10:00 am Dec 7, 2024

Communion for the Homebound

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 six months in advance to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

OCIA and Catholic Life

For those adults wishing to enter the Catholic Church. St. Gaspar Family of Parishes has two programs:

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm

Catholic Life meets at Precious Blood Church on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The program is year round and you can join at any time. Contact Curtis Kneblak for more information: 937-276-5954 ext. 2111 or via email: ckneblak@preciousbloodchurch.org.

Thursday Evenings at 5:30 pm

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults-OCIA), offers a welcoming pathway for individuals embarking on the journey of joining the Catholic Church.

Contact Lynda Middleton for more information: 937-228-1223 or via email: lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com.

Live Stream Mass

Precious Blood Church, Sunday, 8:30 am

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

St. Joseph Church, Sunday, 10:30 am

Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/DaytonCatholic/>

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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.

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Catherine Winkler
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Add a Loved One to the Prayer List
The St. Gaspar Family Prayer List is faithfully maintained by staff member Nancy Burton. If you have any questions, or would like to add someone to the list you may contact your parish office.

Pray for our Departed: For St. Rita parishioner, Carol Sue Greenwell, and St. Paul parishioner Rose Marchal. We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Rose Gysbers, former St. Joseph music director, whose funeral Mass was offered at St. Joseph. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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