

May 4, 2025, Third Sunday of Easter



SAINT GASPAR FAMILY OF PARISHES

Our Vision Statement

We will be a vibrant, worshipping, sacrificial Catholic family who loves God and sees dignity in all humanity.

As we are fed by the Eucharist and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we will grow in our relationship with Jesus and serve those in our community.

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

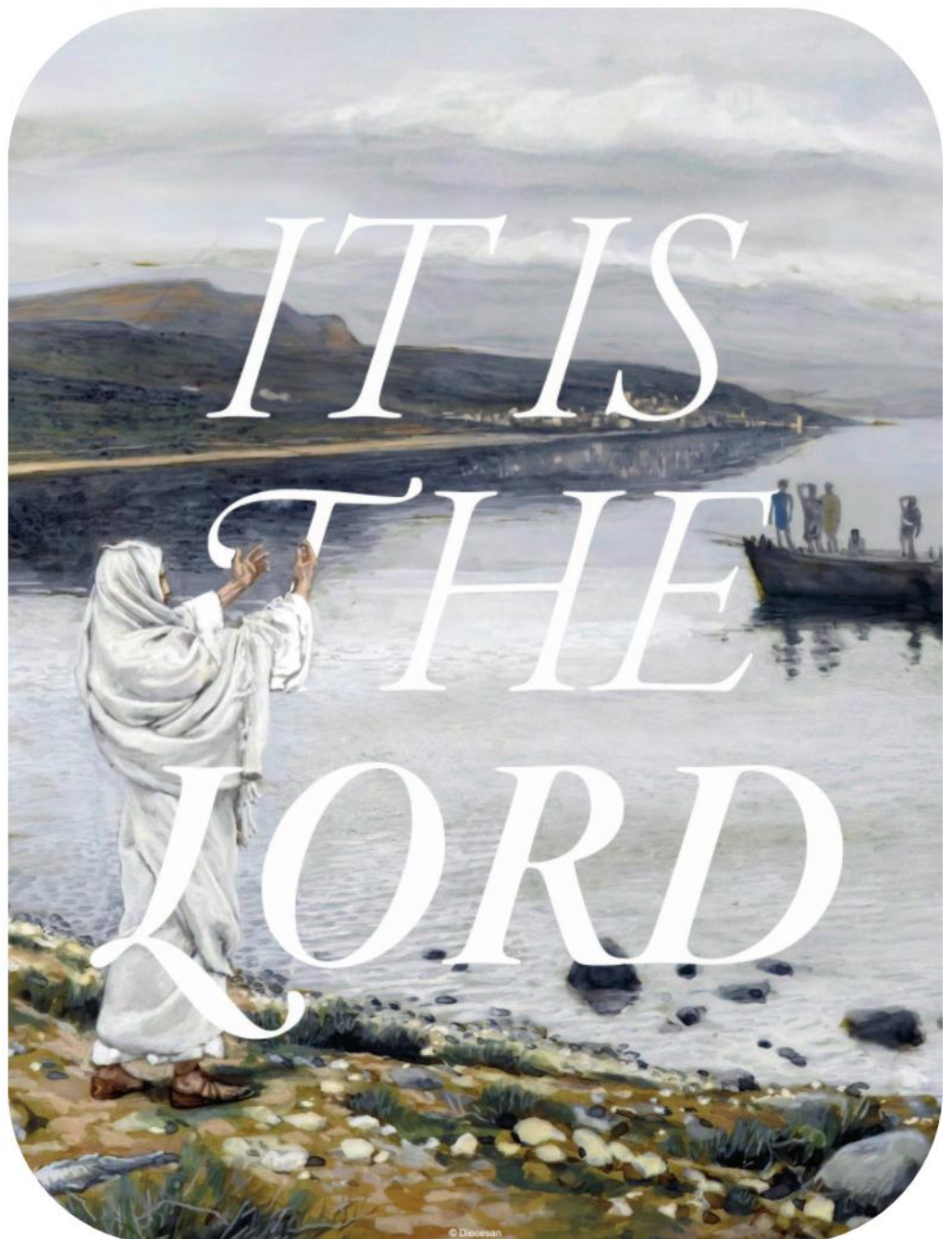
411 East Second Street
Dayton, OH 45402
937.228.9272

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

Jesus asks Peter three times if Peter loves him. Jesus doesn't ask Peter if he believes that he would be a good leader. Jesus doesn't ask Peter if he's capable of directing the other apostles. The only thing that Jesus asks Peter is, "Do You love me?" Because if Peter loves Jesus, then Peter can do a lot of amazing things. Peter will be able to take care of Jesus's followers. But if Peter does not love Jesus, then Peter's work will be in vain.

Do you and I love Jesus? Do we trust him? Do we believe in Jesus and his words? Do we make Jesus the way we want him to be? In some ways, we have to be vulnerable around Jesus. We have to let Jesus be Jesus. We have to let Jesus teach us. We can't be in control of our every move. This is the mark of a Christian.

Jesus told Peter, "When you are older, someone else will dress you and lead you to where you do not want to go." Jesus is in control of our lives. He leads us to our every task. Part of our prayer is not only asking for what we want but for Christ's guidance. Are you willing to do that this Easter season and throughout the year?

Let go. Let Jesus take the wheel. Jesus knows what you're capable of. God bless you all.

Fr. Tony

Fr. Tony is pictured saying Mass on Easter Sunday at St. Paul in Englewood with Deacon Brian Seibert and Deacon Joe Subler.

Sign Up for Flocknote

Visit: StGasparFamilyDayton.flocknote.com

Text: GETGASPAR to 84576

If you need assistance with signing up contact:

Joan Macpherson at 937-276-5954.



Photo of the Week

St. Paul welcomes their newest member: Auron Doolin, with his parents, Shannon and Jacob Doolin.

Auron was baptized at St. Paul April 6, 2025. Welcome to the St. Gaspar Family!

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, May 5, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's Intention
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Carl & Roger Keith
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Devin Frost's Uncle

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

7:30 am **Holy Trinity** Celebrant's Intention
 8:30 am **St. Rita** †Vito Carchedi
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Fran Karl

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** Liv/Decd. Members
 Of William & Bertha Walter Family
 8:30 am **St. Paul** †Cy Schwieterman
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Jerry Johnson

Thursday, May 8, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Jerry/Jeanine Lochtefeld
 8:30 am **St. Paul** Joe Steinlage Family
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Illuminada Daniels
 & Evelyn McCarthy Family

Friday, May 9, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Tom & Rita Ostendorf
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** †Mary Virginia Gaynor
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Judy & Sherry Zimmerman

Saturday, May 10, 2025

7:30 am **Emmanuel** †Mary Ann Robinson
 12:00 pm **St. Joseph** †Carolyn & Dan Grossman
 4:30 pm **St. Joseph** †John Joseph O'Kane
 4:30 pm **St. Paul** †Mary Dudon
 5:00 pm **Emmanuel** †Ella Croghan

Sunday, May 11, 2025 (Mother's Day)

8:30 am **Holy Trinity** For all Mothers
 8:30 am **Precious Blood** For all Mothers
 8:30 am **St. Rita** For all Mothers
 10:30 am **Emmanuel** For Our Parishioners
 10:30 am **St. Joseph** †Joyce Anthony
 10:30 am **St. Paul** For all Mothers

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. Paul

Sunday

8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity

Requesting a Mass to be offered

A Mass Intention can be requested for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul. Mass intentions for 2025 can be scheduled by calling your parish office.



Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 4, 2025

Monday	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

Yves Benihana
 Michael Borgert
 Nicholas Butler
 John Carner
 Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles
 Jon Chachula
 Laura Chachula
 Eric Justin Dino
 Eric Raymond Dino
 Caleb Fowler
 Jacob Gutwein
 Christopher Harman
 George Hinton
 Ryan Hulsman

Nicholas Kern
 Morgan Konsdorf
 Connor "Bakir" Magill
 Greg Marcus
 Brittany Maurer
 Zachary McIntyre
 David Musgrove
 Diane Nyirasimbi
 Anthony Pelfrey
 Gage Plasenthal
 Matt Shulten
 Luis Torres
 Susan Varmuza
 Justin Williams

Parish Calendar

Monday, May 5, 2025

Chair One Fitness (Through May 5)

4:00-4:30 pm • St. Joseph/Parish Center

Walk with Mary

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

God's Garden Work Day

7:00-8:30 pm • St. Paul/Garden

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

Knights of Columbus Council 500

7:00-9:30 pm • Bainbridge Hall

Marriage Works

6:30-8:30 pm • St. Joseph/Parish Center

PrayerMates

7:00-8:30 pm • Precious Blood/Church

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Lunch with the Lord (join at any time)

11:45 am-1:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rectory

Senior Program and Lunch

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm • St. Paul/Mtg. Room

Catholic Life/OCIA

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

Thursday, May 8, 2025

God's Garden Work Day

9:00-10:30 am • St. Paul/Garden

OCIA

5:30-7:00 pm • Holy Trinity/Rectory

Splendor of Truth Book Read

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

Friday, May 9, 2025

Friday Hour

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

Saturday, May 10, 2025

Trivia Night

7:00-9:00 pm • Precious Blood Activity Ctr.

Rosary Rally Saturday, May 10

Our Lady calls us to pray the Rosary.

Please join us for a Rosary Rally in front of St. Joseph Parish Life Center on Saturday, May 10, after the 12:00 Noon Mass. We will be praying the Rosary for America. As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God through his Holy Mother, asking his urgent help!

Sunday, May 11, 2025

Donut Sunday

After Mass • St. Paul

Family Rosary and Potluck

5:00-6:30 pm • Precious Blood/Church

NATO Parliamentary Assembly

May 22-26, 2025 in Downtown Dayton

Visit: <https://www.natopa-dayton2025.org/>
for information on street closures downtown.

Easter Thank You



Dear St. Gaspar Family,

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you who helped prepare our churches for the Easter season. Your time, energy, and love were evident in every detail—from the beautiful decorations and clean spaces to the joyful welcome extended to all who came through our doors.

Because of your generous spirit and willingness to serve, our parish was not only ready in appearance, but ready in heart to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord. Thank you for making our churches a reflection of the joy and hope of Easter.

Sue Seibert
Director of Stewardship
St. Gaspar Family of Parishes

Sue Seibert is a St. Paul parishioner and staff member. As the Director of Stewardship, she will be working with the Archdiocese and the St. Gaspar Family Leadership Team to ensure a thriving stewardship culture within the parish. Rooted in the teaching that all we are and have in life is a gift from God, the Parish Stewardship Director strives to develop a culture in the Family of Parishes that recognizes stewardship as a way of life. This position provides vision and leadership to successfully implement a comprehensive stewardship effort that focuses on education, formation, and the promotion of the spirituality of stewardship and stewardship-related activities. Sue will invite parishioners to share their gifts of time, talent, and treasure within the Family of Parishes and the overall life of the Church. Sue is pictured above, with her husband, Deacon Brian Seibert.



Congratulations to our First Communicants

Keep them in your Prayers

Today we celebrate First Communion at the 8:30 am Mass at Precious Blood and the 10:30 am Mass at Emmanuel. As our young parishioners across all six of our churches receive their First Holy Communion, we invite you to be part of their journey by praying for them. Your prayers can take any form—whether it's attending daily Mass, praying a Rosary, or simply offering an Our Father or Hail Mary—whatever fits naturally into your prayer life.

From Emmanuel, pray for:

Sherman Ingalls
John Bowen
Ellie Hoerbert
Lucas Kreitingner
Teresa Bond
Karen Nunes
Sophia Smith
Max Beauchamp
Jacinta Mark
Lucy McBride
Lucy Hunter
Divine Matumaini
Sylvie Norckauer

From St. Joseph pray for:

AJ McCarty

From St. Paul, St. Rita and Precious Blood pray for:

Adelynn Combs
Natalie Cottrell
Vincent Eziako
Charlie Kahlig
Joseph Lowery
Haley Marshall
Payton Marshall
Daniel Smith
Braelyn Statzer
Easton Stocklager



Devotionals

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday

11:30 am -12:30 pm · St. Rita

Tuesday

7:00-8:00 pm · Emmanuel | *Doors open at 6:00 pm*

PrayerMates

Tuesday Evenings

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood

Benediction and Adoration

First Thursday of the Month

6:00-7:30 pm · St. Paul

Third Sunday of the Month

9:45 am · Holy Trinity

Saturdays during Lent

12:00-4:00 pm · St. Joseph

Pray the Rosary

Monday-Saturday

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

Saturday

4:30 pm · Emmanuel (before 5:00 pm Mass)

Sunday

7:55 am · St. Rita (before 8:30 am Mass)

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

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

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

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

The Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary before Mass at Holy Trinity on the first Sunday of the month at 8:00 am.

St Rita Novena

May 14-May 22

St. Rita of Cascia's Feast Day is May 22.

Recite the following prayer daily beginning May 14: Holy Patroness of those in need, St. Rita, you were humble, pure and patient. Your pleadings with your divine Spouse are irresistible, so please obtain for me from our risen Jesus the request I make of you (mention it). Be kind to me for the greater glory of God, and I shall honour you and sing your praises forever. Glorious St Rita, your miraculously participated in the sorrowful passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Obtain for me now the grace to suffer with resignation the troubles of this life, and protect me in all my needs. Amen.

Followed with:

1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, 1 Glory Be .

2025 Women's Day: Women Of

HOPE

Saturday, May 17, 2025 | Trinity Center | 8:30 am-2:30 pm

Join us for a lovely day designed especially for the women of our parishes. Our day will include three presentations, a special craft session, delicious food and inspirational prayers to uplift your spirit and renew your hope.

**"Finding the Words,
a Journey of Healing and Hope"**

Joyce Ann Zimmerman, C.P.P.S., PhD., S.T.D.

"Journaling for Emotional Wellness"

·Lynda Middleton, Pastoral Associate,
Director of Religious Education

"Chair One Fitness – Exercise For All"

Alice Earnst, Chair One Fitness Instructor

"Let's Make a Journal!"

·Lynn Wilmes, Paper Crafting Instructor

- This fifth annual event is sponsored by the Health Ministries Team
When: Saturday, May 17, 2025 from 8:30am – 2:30pm
Where: Trinity Center – 266 Bainbridge Street, Dayton, Ohio
(entrance is not handicapped accessible)
- Fee: \$30.00 donation requested
(financial scholarships available upon request, call Lynda at 937-282-1223)
- Continental Breakfast and box lunches will be provided. To register, complete the registration form on the following page and return it with payment to your parish, or contact Patsy Martin at 937.776.8949, or plmartin937@gmail.com. The registration form is also available on the Holy Trinity Church website at holytrinitydayton.net. The deadline to register is May 9, 2025. Cancellation with Full Refund: By Friday, May 9, 2025. Substitutions are allowed.

But as for me, I will always have hope

-Psalm 71:14

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2025 Women's Day Registration Form

The deadline to register is May 9, 2025.

Cancellation with Full Refund: By Friday, May 9, 2025.

Substitutions are allowed.

Cost is \$30.00 (scholarships available). Pre-registration is required, Seating is limited to 50 people. To register, complete this registration form and return it with payment to your parish, or contact Patsy Martin at 937.776.8949, or plmartin937@gmail.com. The registration form is also available on the Holy Trinity Church website at holytrinitydayton.net.

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL: _____

PARISH: _____

Box Lunches will be Provided, Circle Your Choices Below:

Sandwich, Wrap or Salad (Choose One)

- Deli Double Decker Club Bacon, turkey, Swiss, lettuce, tomato on Vienna bread
- Chicken Salad on Croissant
- California Chicken Wrap Chicken breast, avocado, tomato, provolone, sprouts with tangy southwest sauce
- Club Wrap Turkey, bacon, lettuce, tomato, Swiss cheese, ranch dressing
- Cobb Salad (Vegetarian) Portobello mushroom, scallions, tomatoes, carrots, Colby, Monterey Jack, avocado, sprouts with creamy dill dressing
- Cobb Salad with Grilled Chicken Scallions, tomatoes, carrots, Colby, Monterey Jack, avocado, sprouts with creamy dill dressing
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Side Dishes (Choose One)

- Potato Chips
- Twice Baked Potato Salad
- Veggies with Dill Dip

Desserts (Choose One)

- Oatmeal Raisin Cookie
- Chocolate Chip Cookie

**Mail your \$30 check or money order, made payable to Holy Trinity Church to:
Holy Trinity Church, C/O Patsy Martin, 272 Bainbridge Street, Dayton, OH 45402.
*You can also drop off your form and payment at your parish office.***

Vacation Bible School



One Program Two Campuses!

We are excited to invite you and your children to join us for The Great Journey—a vibrant and faith-filled Vacation Bible School experience where kids will discover the life of Christ and grow closer to Him by traveling through the seasons of the Church year. From Advent

to Easter, children will explore the richness of our Catholic faith through engaging music from Cat.Chat, dynamic videos, hands-on crafts, themed snacks, faith-filled stories of the Saints, games, and more. This year, we are thrilled to offer this program as one united family of parishes, hosted on two separate dates and locations for your convenience: Emmanuel Church and St. Paul Parish.

Though the experience will be the same at both sites, each parish has its own registration process:

Register for VBS at Emmanuel

@ Emmanuel, June 9-13, from 9:00-12:00 pm

For ages 4-11 (deadline June 1)

Emmanuel: Online registration is available—quick, simple, and accessible from home. Make checks payable to Emmanuel. You can also pick up a paper copy in church or the parish office. An electronic payment option will be offered soon. Link to Register and/or volunteer:

<https://vbsregistration.ca/event/event-3204/>

- 1 child (\$20)
- 2 children (\$40)
- 3+ children (\$50)



Register for VBS at St. Paul

@ St. Paul, June 16-20, from 9:00 am—12:00 pm

For ages 4 to rising 5th graders

St. Paul: Register using Flocknote:

<https://stgasparfamilydayton.flocknote.com/signup/209460>

You can also pick up copies at the church entrances, or the parish office. Make checks payable to St. Paul.

An electronic payment option will be offered soon.

- 1 child (\$20)
- 2 children (\$40)
- 3+ children (\$50)



We are truly looking forward to journeying together with your children as they discover the beauty and meaning of each liturgical season—and as our parishes come together in faith, fellowship, and fun.

Honoring Mom

Mother's Day Flowers

@Emmanuel

A free flower will be provided to each mother after the Masses at Emmanuel the weekend of Mother's Day. The Emmanuel Pro-Life Committee will have additional flowers for sale. Please support the pro-life committee as you support the mothers in your life.

@St. Joseph

The Mother's Day Pro-Life flower sale will be held next weekend after the Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 10:30am Masses. All proceeds go to the Dayton Right to Life Society.

Prayer Board for Mother's Day

Honor Your Mother with Prayer @Holy Trinity

You will find a basket of flower cutouts on the table at the entrance to the main aisle in church. To remember your Mom in prayer on Mother's Day, please write her name on the back of a flower and place it in the empty basket.



St. Gaspar Featured Saint for May

"Only by relying on God will the men have courage and only with courage will there be victory."

-St. Joan of Arc

Look for more information on this saint in upcoming bulletins.

Notes from Emmanuel's Choir Loft

from Music Director Michele Carner

The text for our entrance hymn, "Christ the Lord is Ris'n Today," was written by the famous Methodist and prolific hymn-writer (with at least five thousand known hymns to his credit), Charles Wesley. We sing it to the cheerful tune Llanfair, composed by a blind Welsh basket-weaver with great innate musical ability, Robert Williams (1781-1821). Llanfair features the common Welsh device of building a melody on the tones of the tonic triad ("do-mi-sol" or 1-3-5 of the major scale), and the melismatic alleluias fittingly express our Easter joy. (Source: hymnary.org)

A Chance to Help Others: Prepare Lunches for St. Vincent De Paul

@Holy Trinity, Sunday, May 18 at 9:45 am

We will be packing lunches for St. Vincent's on Sunday, May 18, at 9:45am in the Trinity Center at Holy Trinity and we could use your help. Details and a list of items needed are available at

<https://bit.ly/42sqhNQ>

Please sign up by Sunday, May 11, 2025. Donated items may be turned in to the parish office at Holy Trinity on Sunday, May 11 from 9:45-11:00am. Your help in the past is greatly appreciated. We started this quarterly activity in July of 2023. As of our February 2025 bagged lunch date, we have bagged 1,031 lunches for St. Vincent de Paul. Your time and donations continue to be a blessing to those in need and we thank you! This program will continue in September and November 2025. If you need assistance with the sign-up link, please contact Leslie 937-901-5468 or Janet 937-623-9272. Sponsored quarterly by the Holy Trinity Social Action Ministry.



Senior Program & Lunch:

Layers of History

@St. Paul, Wednesday, May 7 - noon-2pm

Hannah Wiest, local historical researcher, will present a revealing history of ladies' dress and undergarments during the early 1860s. Not only will she uncover each layer, describing its functional purpose, but she will also explain how fabric choice, dress style, and garment fit all help illustrate the diverse experiences of American women in the mid-nineteenth century. Please call to make reservations by noon on Monday, May 5 by calling 937-836-7535.

May Crowning at

Family Rosary and Potluck

@Precious Blood, Sunday, May 11, from 5:00-6:30 pm

This month we will celebrate a special May Crowning as part of the Family Rosary program. We provide fried chicken and drinks, we ask that you bring a side dish to share.

Holy Trinity Spring Work Party

Spring work party, Saturday, May 10, 8:30 am

Come lend a hand! Holy Trinity's annual spring work party is Saturday, May 10th beginning at 8:30 AM. We'll clean out the flower beds, clean the grounds, trim the bushes and spread mulch. Bring an extra rake if you can! Thank you!

News from St. Joe's

Join Our Gardeners! May 9

Our beautiful garden beds on the parish grounds need periodic weeding. We have a small dedicated group of weeders but are looking for several more people to help... many hands make light work. Join this great group on Friday, May 9 at 9:00am! Please bring a weed digger, bucket, gloves, and a kneeling pad.

Rosary Rally May 10

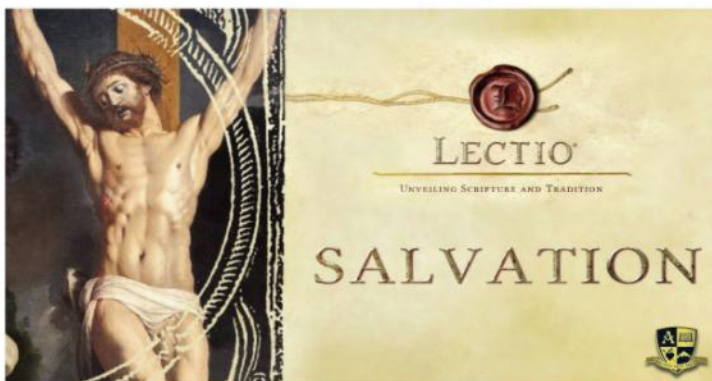
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No Brunch with Us In May!

Come Brunch with Us! will not be held on May 11, Mother's Day. Please join us in June.

Spring Cleaning May 14

Spring Cleaning On the second Wednesday of every month, volunteers join together to clean the church. The cleaning crew will be cleaning the church on Wednesday, May 14, at 9:00am. Please consider joining the crew to help with spring cleaning.



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Lectio: Salvation | Trailer

At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven "for us men and for our salvation." But what does "salvation" mean? In this remarkable 10-part video series, Scripture scholar and theologian Michael Patrick Barber provides a thorough, deeply Catholic, and deeply biblical, answer.

To access our account search: St. Gaspar

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An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Making Habits of Daily Prayer

Come, O Come, O Holy Spirit!

From the Encounter Team

Welcome to the first week of the Encounter Team's "creating habits of daily prayer"! Our central focus for this week is inviting the Holy Spirit into your life and heart. Without the Holy Spirit's nudges and promptings, we are left "dry" and unable to pray to our good God.

We invite you to deepen your prayer life. Use the prayer below, scan the QR code to listen to prayerful music, and consider creating a prayer corner in your home — a special space to encounter God more personally.

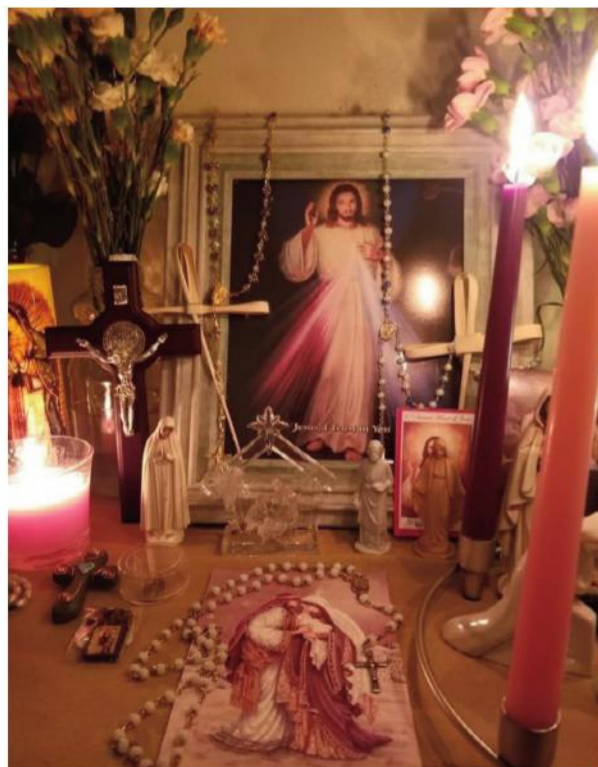
Cardinal Mercier (1851 - 1926) wrote the following prayer invoking the Holy Spirit into your heart and soul:

"I am going to reveal to you the secret of sanctity and happiness. Every day for five minutes control your imagination and close your eyes to all the noise of the world, in order to enter into yourself. Then in the sanctuary of your Baptized soul, which is the Temple of the Holy Spirit, speak to that Divine Spirit, saying to Him:

O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me console me. Tell me what I should do; give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that you desire of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your will.

If you do this, your life will flow along happily, serenely, and full of consolation, even in the midst of trials. Grace will be proportioned to the trial, giving you the strength to carry it — and you will arrive at the Gate of Paradise, laden with merit.

This submission to the Holy Spirit is the secret of sanctity."



Kneeler Notes

Create a "prayer corner" or sacred space in your home or bedroom to go to for times of quiet prayer. Creating a spiritually welcoming environment often mirrors a physically peaceful place for prayer. Try decluttering or setting aside an area for quiet reflection. This will create space for the Spirit to move freely.



The Encounter Team is developing a plan for members of our St. Gaspar Family of Parishes to discover and embrace a lifelong, loving relationship with Jesus. Members are:
Brenda Kosir — St. Joseph
Matt Ruttle — Staff
Michele Stoltz — St. Paul
Kelly Sewell — St. Paul
Noah Reidy — St. Paul

Goal: By encouraging our parishioners to make habits of daily prayer, scripture study, and Eucharistic adoration, Mass attendance will increase by 10% by Advent of 2027.

Goal: By Lent of 2026, we will introduce a plan that will empower our parishioners to be Christ-like with all whom they encounter.

If you would like more information on the Encounter Team, contact Matt Ruttle, 937-278-5815, or via email: mruttle@preciousbloodchurch.org.



Prayerful Music

Scan the QR codes below to listen to prayerful music. There may be ads in the beginning, you can skip them after 30 seconds.



Traditional Music - Come Holy Ghost



Contemporary Music - Prayer to the Holy Spirit





A fun, easy way to support
the life-saving work of
Elizabeth's New Life Center.

St. Gaspar Family of Parishes May 11- June 15, 2025

For more information contact:

St. Rita Debbie Nieport psalm27.dn@gmail.com
Precious Blood Rosie Prier rprier@elizabethnewlife.org
St. Paul Mike and Sally Boston kkkkboston@aol.com
Emmanuel Dan Godale bz2ngk@roadrunner.com
Holy Trinity Karen Averbach kmaverbeck@aol.com
St. Joseph Mary Jo Klein klein.maryjo@immaculateheartcoop.net

Elizabeth's New Life Center provides positive solutions to unexpected pregnancies by offering free pregnancy tests, free limited ultrasounds, consulting/mentoring, prenatal care, educational classes, and material assistance.

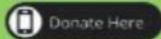
How it works:



Provided Bottles are filled with
coins, money, or checks.



These funds are used to provide
services and material assistance.



Kayla Berry
Development Officer
937-991-0161

Elizabeth's New Life Center is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. All donations are 100% tax deductible in accordance with the law when no goods or services have been received. Donations collected are used to financially support the programs and services provided free of charge at all Women's Centers that are operated by Elizabeth's New Life Center.

Elizabeth's New Life Center | 2201 N. Main St. Dayton, Ohio 45405 | enlc.life | 937-226-7414

Our Stewardship

Emmanuel, March April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$7,072

Good Friday Holy Land \$508

Holy Trinity, April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$5,849

Good Friday \$202

Hoy Thursday \$596

Precious Blood, April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$5,020

St. Vincent De Paul \$255

Easter \$11,104

Saint Paul, April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,078

St. Vincent de Paul \$205

Easter \$11,324

Saint Joseph, April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$10,949

Charity \$187

Pipe Organ to Date \$186,566

Good Friday \$1,519

Saint Rita, April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection \$2,397

St. Vincent De Paul \$285

Easter \$4,864

Good Friday Holy Land \$1,095

Catholic Relief Services

Special Collection this weekend

This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at

www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Area News



**Sisters of the
Precious Blood**

Dinner with the Sisters

Wednesday, May 14, from 6:00-8:00 pm

Women's Dinner: Are you a woman between the ages of 18-45? The Sisters of the Precious Blood would like to invite you to join a small group of Sisters in Dayton from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm on May 14th for an informal dinner, prayer and faith-sharing. Please share the information with any woman you think might be interested...and please RSVP to Teri at tiverson@cppsadmin.org.

2025 Taste of the Shrine

@Maria Stein, Thursday, May 22

On Thursday, May 22nd, from 5pm – 8pm, the Maria Stein Shrine will host the fifth annual Taste of the Shrine! This unique event will give attendees the opportunity to enjoy the historic beauty and charm of the Shrine. Enjoy fellowship while sampling some of the finest food and drink available in God's country. This event is held in the Shrine Courtyard.

Early bird discount on tickets, 30 for \$30, is available now through May 16th. After May 16th, tickets are 24 for \$30. Tickets can be used to purchase food and drinks from participating vendors, samples of food and drink will be priced at 1-10 tickets each. In addition, there will be a \$1,000 raffle drawing during the event at 7:00pm.

Silent and live auction! You will have the opportunity to bid on items from local businesses. Food & Drink and Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Shrine, online at mariasteinshrine.org or by calling 419-925-4532.

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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.

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), 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/livestream/>

St. Joseph Church, Sunday, 10:30 am

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

Hearing Aid Receivers available at St. Joseph. 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 return it to an usher.

Staff Directory

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Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin Date: May 18, 2025

Articles Due: May 8, 2025

Ministry leaders should send information to the Communications Manager, Joan Macpherson via email at: jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org.

Full Page Flyer

Full page flyers for parish events will be included when space allows. Flyers will be accepted in the form of Word documents or PDFs., JPEGs. Scans will not be accepted.

Stephen Ministry

Could you benefit from the confidential, one-to-one care and support of a Stephen Minister? Do you know someone who could benefit from Stephen Ministry? Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister?

Contact Diane Huelsman to learn more: 937-416-8870 or call your parish office.

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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.

St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List as of 4/28/25

Barb Aivalotis

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Bill

Theresa Bradley

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Rita Brun

Bill & Jayme Budde

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Marty DeMange

Fran Franchina

Beth Fraser

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Janet Rudy-Gerrard

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Malena Phillips

Mary B.

Kathy Profit

Sarah

Brandon Schneider

Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

Fr. Jim Seibert

Debbie Shively

Ruth Suttmiller Jackson Tokasey and Family

Velma & Family

Catherine Winkler

Jack & Ann Wolf

Prayer List Guidelines

New names appear in bold.

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

Adding a name to the prayer list:

The St. Gaspar Family of parishes prayer list is faithfully maintained by staff member Nancy Burton.

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list call your parish office.

With Sympathy to St. Paul parishioners John Kimball and Barb Wooten, and for Precious Blood Sister Jean Rene Hoying. 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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