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ST. PETER CHILlicoTHE

285 West Water Street,
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

ST. MARY CHILlicoTHE

61 South Paint Street,
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

ST. MARY, QUEEN OF THE MISSIONS WAVERLY

407 South Market Street,
Waverly, Ohio 45690

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES PARISH

Including the church sites of: St. Peter Chillicothe + St. Mary Chillicothe + St. Mary, Queen of the Missions Waverly

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES PARISH STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS (ST. PETER):

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 8:30 a.m. | St. Peter (First Saturday Only) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | St. Peter |
| | 10:00 a.m. | St. Mary Waverly |
| | 12:00 p.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |
| Monday | 6:00 p.m. | St. Peter |
| Tuesday | 6:00 p.m. | St. Peter |
| Wednesday | 8:30 a.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |
| | 6:00 p.m. | St. Mary Waverly |
| Thursday | 8:30 a.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |
| Friday | 8:30 a.m. | Bishop Flaget |
| | 11:00 a.m. | VA (First Friday Only) |

RECONCILIATION

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| Saturday | 9:15 a.m. | St. Peter (First Saturday Only) |
| | 3:30 p.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |
| Monday | 5:00 p.m. | St. Peter |
| Wednesday | 5:00 p.m. | St. Mary Waverly |
| Thursday | 9:15 a.m. | St. Mary Chillicothe |

ADORATION

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| Saturday | 9:00-10:00 a.m., St. Peter (First Saturday Only) |
| Tuesday | 6:00 a.m. to Thursday 5:00 p.m. St. Peter Adoration Chapel |
| Wednesday | 5:00-6:00 p.m., St. Mary Waverly |
| Friday | 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., St. Peter Adoration Chapel |

HOLY MATRIMONY: Marriage preparation and Pre-Cana classes are required. Thus, the engaged couple must make arrangements by contacting the office and the celebrant before reserving a date. Weddings are only for registered parishioners.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & SHUT-INS: Communion is brought to the sick and homebound. The family should call the office if someone is seriously ill as soon as possible.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are held by appointment only. Pre-Baptism instruction is required for parents and godparents. Instructions are by appointment only. Contact the office to schedule class and Baptism.

MAINTENANCE: If you have a maintenance concern affecting any OLQA campus, please email the Maintenance Department at maintenance@olqaparish.com

FAITH FORMATION: September-May, Faith Formation will occur on the 2nd Sundays of the month in the St. Peter Parish Hall. The program for children preparing for Reconciliation/First Holy Communion will take place after the 8:00 a.m. Mass; the program for children preparing for Confirmation will take place at 6:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: September-May, The Well High School Youth Group will occur on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month in the St. Peter Bosco Room from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL:

Tom Day, Bob French, Tess Hatmacher, Geri Mauer,
Angela Migyanko, Virgil Rix, Alicia Thompson,
Cathy Whalen, Susan Wollebeck
Email President Tom Day: vball@horizonview.net

If you or a loved one have a Sacramental Emergency, please call the Sacramental Emergency Line at 740-701-2552.

WELCOME TO OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES!

In an effort to make things more transparent and accessible in the bulletin, we will now be color-coding articles based on the church site where an event will take place.

For events taking place on the St. Mary, Chillicothe campus, items will be noted in blue.

For events taking place on the St. Mary, Waverly campus, items will be noted in purple.

For events taking place on the St. Peter campus, items will be noted in green.

For events taking place either at multiple sites, or off-site, items will be noted in black.



If you have committed to an hour with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration and are ever unable to attend, please be sure to request a substitute as soon as possible to give as much time as possible to find someone to fill in for you. We are also still looking for more volunteers to commit to a time frame and/or become a substitute! Our Adoration website can be found at: <https://Adorationpro.org/cwatholic>. Please contact Chris Hiles at olqa.Adoration@gmail.com or 740-804-2080 if you have any questions or need assistance using the site.

PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list is growing... please review the names listed. If you see someone who can be removed or know of someone who needs added, please contact Jess Hamm in the Parish Office. Please pray for the following members of God's family (those listed in **bold** are members of the Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles; others are beloved friends or family of parishioners):

Jaxson Ackerman, **Tom Allie**, Brenna Adkins, **Henry Barlage, Jr.**, **Bobby Barnhart**, Dexter Bell, **James & Paula Bennett**, Cathy Bentley, **Don Berling**, **Richard Blissenbach**, Michael Boyle, **Shannon Brady**, Robert Bruce, **Jane Burkhardt**, Grace Calhoun, Nicholas Case, Lawrence Carrico, Randy Carver, **Judy Chambers**, Leah Christian, **Bob Cook**, **Joanne Corcoran**, Francesa Craig, Wes Crowe, Fred Cryder, **Dennis Cunningham**, **Charlie Dawes**, **Rachel Day**, **Joyce DeLong**, Jeremy Denny, Maria Rosa Domingues, **Susie Chesser Downing**, **Josie Dudash**, **Mary Elsass**, Mary Rose Evans, Sydney Fisher, Roger Gray, Doug Griffith, **Kathleen Hanson**, **Jane Harness**, **Phyllis Hassey**, Maranda Hay, Tom Hayes, **Brookie & Larry Heightsman**, David Herrmann, Connie Hendrix, Hunter Hill, **Lorraine Hill**, **Kathy Hirsch**, Richard "Casey" Holdren, **David Hollis**, Sam Hurff, **Mike & Phyllis Ivey**, Rachel Jacobsen-Day, Craig Jaynes, Kathy Johnson Way, Christy Jones, Mike Kamp, **Dudley Keene**, **John Kennedy, Jr.**, **Melanie Kennedy**, **Rita Kern**, **Pete Kinney**, **David Kohl**, **Doug Legg**, **Priscilla Legg**, **Jim Lewis**, **Mary Jayne Lilly**, **Mike Lilly**, **Diana Lisi**, Charlotte Lindsey, **Hank & Jean Malone**, **Joy Maxwell**, **Charlene Martin**, **Bonnie McCord**, Frank McDonald, **Marlene McMahan**, **Melissa McMahan**, Diane Mead, Sandi Melching, Amanda Miller, **Bill Musser**, **JJ Pauls**, **Jean dela Pena**, Cindy Pennington, **David Polk**, **Harold Price**, **Dave Purpero**, Angelina Prog, **Pat Reed**, Richard Renollet, Shirley Riley, Kathryn Cassar Rohn, **Thomas Rohn**, **Rick Rooney**, Kay Marie Rose, **Debbie Rourke**, **Elizabeth Santos-Mauntel**, **Mike Scheeler**, **Lola Schumann**, **Cathy Seifert**, **Sue Ellen Slagle**, **Bob Smith**, **Jon Stauffer**, **Janice Streitenberger**, Brenda Strittmatter, **John Sulzer**, **Kathy Sutter**, **Phoebe Tanedo**, **Kathy & Jerry Tapp**, **Jim Tuccinardi**, **Sharon Wagner**, **Paul Waigand**, **Robert Warth**, **Kathy Way**, **Tim Webb**, **Bob Weisenberger**, **Al Westrick**, **Cathy Zangri**

MASS INTENTIONS

When requesting a specific date for Mass Intentions, it is recommended to contact Jess Hamm at jhamm@olqaparish.com or stop into the Parish Office in Chillicothe at least six months before the desired date. Due to the large number of requests for Masses we receive, they will be scheduled accordingly and as soon as possible. We endeavor to get a couple of Masses in as soon as possible for recently deceased parishioners. Your patience is greatly appreciated.

Saturday, February 21 – Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

5:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **Janet Resetar** –
Dcn. Reed & Thecla Hauser

Sunday, February 22 – Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19 or
5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

8:00 a.m. St. Peter – † **Catherine Niman** – *Audra Barron*

10:00 a.m. St. Mary, Waverly – *For the People*

12:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **Judy Lanning** –
David & Sharon McCorkle

Monday, February 23 – Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

6:00 p.m. St. Peter – † **John & Colleen Sulzer** – *Mary Brown*

Tuesday, February 24 – Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

6:00 p.m. St. Peter – † **Jean & Clete Moorman** –
Angela Migyanko

Wednesday, February 25 – Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

8:30 a.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **John Albright** –
Rick & Geri Mauger

6:00 p.m. St. Mary, Waverly – † **Jean Howley** –
Janice Streitenberger

Thursday, February 26 – Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

8:30 a.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **Joanne Rolf** – *Jody Cutright*

Friday, February 27 – Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

8:30 a.m. Bishop Flaget – † **Ralph & Florence D'Antoni** –
Joan & Ralph D'Antoni

Saturday, February 28 – Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

5:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **Dorothy Fogle** –
Joyce & Joe Bigler

Sunday, March 1 – Gen 12:1-4a; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

8:00 a.m. St. Peter – *For the People*

10:00 a.m. St. Mary, Waverly – † **Bob Holland** – *Angela Migyanko*

12:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe – † **Bob Maxwell** –
Joy L. Maxwell



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: MONTHLY HONORS

Each month, K of C Council #15793 will be honoring a family, youth, and Knight for their exemplary work for God's kingdom.

For the month of February: Congratulations to the following parishioners for your outstanding example of living out the faith, and working hard in our parish community. Thank you for all you do!

Family of the Month: Deacon Reed & Thecla Hauser

Youth of the Month: Blaise Davis

Knight of the Month: Nick French

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND FRIENDS: FOOD FOR FAMILIES

Donations for the Food For Families Ministry are greatly needed.

We provide support for food-insecure families in Ross County on a monthly basis. We have been feeding an average of 100-120 families every 3rd Saturday. You can drop off donations in the back of St. Peter church or at the Parish Office Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Suggested items include: cereal, soup, peanut butter, boxed potatoes, rice sides, and pasta sauce, but any donation is greatly appreciated! Monetary donations can be made out to Knights of Columbus Council #15793 with "Food Pantry" in the memo line of the check, and mailed to the Parish Office: 285 West Water Street, Chillicothe, OH 45601.

CALENDAR

Saturday, February 21

- 8:30 a.m. Waverly Men's Group –
McDonald's in Waverly
- 10:00 a.m. Food For Families Distribution –
St. Peter Parking Lot
- 3:30 p.m. Confessions – St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe

Sunday, February 22

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Peter
- 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary, Waverly
- 11:00 a.m. Carry-in Brunch & Welcome Event for
Fr. Dooley – St. Mary, Waverly Parish Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting – St. Mary, Chillicothe
Family Life Center

Monday, February 23

- 5:00 p.m. Confessions – St. Peter
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Peter

Tuesday, February 24

- 6:00 a.m.-11:59 p.m. Adoration – Adoration Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Peter
- 6:00 p.m. OCIA Formation – St. Peter Parish Hall

Wednesday, February 25

- 12:00 a.m.-11:59 p.m. Adoration – Adoration Chapel
- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 5:00 p.m. Confessions/Adoration – St. Mary, Waverly
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary, Waverly
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 7:00 p.m. Sisterhood of the Frogged Stitches –
Online via Discord

Thursday, February 26

- 12:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Adoration – Adoration Chapel
- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 9:15 a.m. Confessions at St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 9:30-11:00 a.m. True Vine Outreach –
St. Mary, Chillicothe Office Building
- 10:00 a.m. Stitchers Knitting –
St. Mary, Chillicothe Family Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle – St. Peter Library
- 6:30 p.m. Secular Franciscan Order – St. Peter
St. Francis Room

Friday, February 27

- 8:30 a.m. Mass at Bishop Flaget
- 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Adoration – Adoration Chapel
- 12:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle – St. Peter Library
- 4:00-7:00 p.m. BFS Fish Fry – St. Mary, Chillicothe
Family Life Center
- 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross – St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross – St. Mary, Waverly
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross – St. Peter

Saturday, February 28

- 3:30 p.m. Confessions – St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe

Sunday, March 1

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Peter
- 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts/Welcome Event for
Fr. Dooley – St. Peter Parish Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary, Waverly
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts – St. Mary, Waverly
Parish Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary, Chillicothe
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon/Welcome Event for Fr. Dooley –
St. Mary, Chillicothe Family Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. The Well Youth Group –
St. Peter Bosco Room

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES
OFFERTORY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF
JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026

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| Weekly Budget: | \$ 15,865.00 |
| Week of February 2nd-8th Offertory Collected at Mass, via Mail, and Online: | \$ 14,998.80 |
| Difference: | (\$ 866.20) |

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED ONLINE GIVING? Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device, or computer to the church. Online giving benefits you, as it is convenient as you can access your account anytime and anywhere through the internet. It is flexible as you can start, stop, and change your contributions at any time. Please visit our website www.olqaparish.com to get set up. **Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment if you need assistance in this process.** If you currently receive envelopes and would prefer to give entirely online, please contact Kymn Davis at 740-774-1407 to remove your name from the envelope mailing list.

**If you make your contributions online but would like to participate in the collection at weekend Mass, please feel free to grab a laminated "I support our parish through online giving" card at the entrance of the church to place in the offertory basket.*



PIKE COUNTY OUTREACH

The Food Pantry is again asking for donations. This week, can you provide: **Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles.** You can leave your donations in the back of the church at St. Mary, Waverly.

SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED IN ROSS COUNTY THROUGH TRUE VINE OUTREACH

Please consider financially supporting our parish's charitable works. Your monthly offertory envelopes should have an envelope for assistance projects associated with OLQA, including this ministry. We will also be taking up a collection on the 5th Sundays of the month at the Chillicothe church sites. Please write your check to True Vine Outreach. True Vine assists the poor and disadvantaged in a variety of needs, such as food, clothing, rent, utilities, and so much more.

TRUE VINE OUTREACH: JANUARY 2026 REPORT, FY 2025-2026

Families served in Jan: 155 (Fiscal YTD: 1,109)
Assistance provided in Jan: \$13,308.71 (Fiscal YTD: \$89,180.10)

The True Vine Outreach Center is incredibly thankful to the Chillicothe-Ross Community Foundation for their donation of **\$4,680.00** in support of our Sack Lunch Ministry for the Homeless in Ross County. This donation will allow us to supply 100 Sack Lunches per week for six months. We are touched by your generosity, and it is a comfort to know that we have such wonderful organizations in Ross County.

SACK LUNCH MINISTRY: DONATIONS NEEDED

The True Vine Outreach Center is now providing 100 sack lunches per week to the public library for distribution to the homeless. If you would like to support this ministry, we can use individual serving sizes for meat items such as vienna sausages or tuna fish pouches, fruit cups or applesauce cups, crackers, granola bars and treats. Items can be dropped off in the back of St. Mary, Chillicothe church, the Parish Office, or the True Vine office building during our operating hours of 9:30-11:00 a.m. on Thursdays. You can turn in a copy of your receipt for donation credit on your parish donation acknowledgement letter. Thank you for your support.

HOMEBOUND MAILING LIST

If you know of a parishioner who has recently gone into a nursing home or become homebound, and would like to get their name added to the mailing list to receive the weekly bulletin, please call Millie Tanner in the Parish Office.

POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

February: For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

PER DIOCESAN POLICY, WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT CHECKS WRITTEN OUT TO ST. PETER OR EITHER OF THE ST. MARY CHURCHES. Only checks written out to Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles, or OLQA, can be accepted. Please be sure to write checks to the name of Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles Parish.

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| <i>Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you.</i> | <i>Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the Fruit of your womb.</i> |
| Have you ever wondered how it would make Jesus feel if you spoke the same words as St. Gabriel and St. Elizabeth, to His mother, in His presence? | Register for a Eucharistic Holy hour to join in with the Angels and Saints as they honor Our Lady of the Rosary |

MAINTENANCE AT ALL CHURCH SITES
Please be advised that if you notice a maintenance-related issue at any building on our three campuses, the parish maintenance team needs to be made aware of the concern. Requests for assistance can be emailed to maintenance@olqaparish.com. This email is regularly checked by Maintenance Supervisors Mike Flynn and Tim Kessler, who will address your concern as soon as possible.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY – THOMAS L. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP
The Catholic Foundation is the proud steward of the Thomas L. Smith Scholarship. This scholarship provides funds toward the first year of college tuition for either a graduating senior of a Catholic high school in the Diocese of Columbus or a senior high school student who is a parishioner in good standing of Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles Parish. The link to apply for the scholarship can be found at: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/thomas-l-smith-memorial-scholarship/>. (Click "Application" at the bottom of the page.) The Catholic Foundation's open application period for scholarships is open now and runs through February 27th. Since 2007, The Catholic Foundation has awarded over \$2 million in scholarships, empowering over 300 young people to continue their academic and studies. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/>. If you have any questions about our scholarship process, please feel free to contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, at 614-443-8893, ext. 1090 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Exciting news! Bishop Flaget School will be hosting the Reverse Raffle on May 2nd! We need a few good souls to make it happen. Whether you are currently involved with the school, an alum, had kids/grands there at one time, or just like being helpful, your ideas and talents are needed. Some examples of volunteer work include:

Decorating Committee (Designers and workerbees needed in the weeks leading up to the event. We have a Kentucky Derby theme, so decorating should be fun!)

Cleanup Crew (Clean the gym, kitchen, and bathrooms on May 3rd.)

Solicitation Committee (Obtain corporate sponsorships and silent auction items prior to the event and work the silent auction tables that night)

Ticket Sales (Record raffle ticket sales in the weeks leading up to the event, sell additional tickets at the door that night)

Bartenders (3-4 experienced bartenders the night of the event)

Communications Committee (Help with advertising, write thank-you notes)

We will kick off with a volunteer meeting Sunday, February 22nd (details to be determined). If you would like to give your time, talents, or treasure, please contact Mallory Bostwick at 740-804-5594 or Mallory.Bostwick@gmail.com.

"For it is in giving that we receive." – St. Francis of Assisi



ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

We will be creating the April-June liturgical minister schedule soon. Please log in to your online account and submit any changes to your availability by Monday, March 9th. If you have any questions, please email Jess Hamm at jhamm@olqaparish.com, or call the Parish Office.

Dine-in or Take-Out Available

BISHOP FLAGET **Fish Fry**
FUNDRAISER





Join us for a Fish Fry Dinner Fundraiser to support field trip opportunities for all students

**Every Friday
Feb 20 - March 27**

**St. Mary's Family Life Center
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

Dinner includes: 3 pieces fish, 2 pieces bread, and 2 sides

\$10

- \$7 Sandwich
- \$3 Extra Fish
- \$2 Extra Side
- \$4 Mac & Cheese

OUR SERIES OF WELCOME EVENTS FOR FR. DOOLEY will take place this Sunday and next Sunday – please join us for food, fellowship, and a chance to warmly welcome our new Shepherd at the following:

February 22nd – St. Mary, Waverly following the 10:00 a.m. Mass: please bring in items for a delicious carry-in brunch
March 1st – St. Peter following the 8:00 a.m. Mass: Coffee and Donuts with some extra breakfast treats
March 1st – St. Mary, Chillicothe following the 12:00 p.m. Mass: a tasty luncheon sponsored by the Widows Book Club

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT



Knights of Columbus Council #1071 is hosting a St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 14th in the St. Mary, Chillicothe Family Life Center immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. Join us for a night of great food and fellowship! The Knights will provide a traditional Irish stew. All parishioners are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

CHALLENGE FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!

Fr. Charles Griffin Council #15793 of the Knights of Columbus has a challenge for our community this Lenten season: Everyone is invited to give "40 Cans for Lent!" Families are asked to donate 40 cans of food, personal hygiene items, or comparable financial donation

representing each day of Lent and Christ's 40 days in the desert. Donations will go to the upcoming 3rd Saturday food distributions through the Food For Families Ministry, as well as the Sack Lunch Ministry of True Vine Outreach to help with the ongoing need for assistance in Ross County. Any donation should be marked "40 Cans for Lent," so they can be tracked accordingly, and can be dropped off at either of the Chillicothe churches. *This is the 10th year for this food drive! Let's make it the best one yet!* Program coordinator Joe Zupi is offering a contactless pickup if someone is unable to deliver donations to the church. If you have any questions about the program or need special arrangements for pickup, please call Jess Hamm in the Parish Office at 740-774-1407. What a perfect way to increase our attention towards prayer, fasting, and almsgiving this Lenten Season!

LENTEN OFFERING BOXES

This Lenten season, we will have a financial almsgiving opportunity. Similar to rice bowls, small cardboard boxes will be available for pickup starting the First Sunday of Lent for you to support our local charitable organizations with any change/loose bills. The collection will be split three ways between True Vine Outreach, Pike County Outreach, and the K of C Food For Families Ministry. Boxes can be dropped off to the Parish Office or left in a marked tub in the back of each church; please return your box by Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12th. Thank you for your generous support!

BOTTOMS UP – LENTEN DIAPER DRIVE

Our parish is hosting a diaper and wipes drive to support families served through the Bottoms Up Diaper Bank. Diapers and wipes can be dropped off in the back of all church sites now through Easter Sunday, April 5th. Questions? Please contact Jess Hamm in the Parish Office.



CONTINUING OUR LENTEN JOURNEY...

As we pursue holiness during this Lenten season of sacrifice, let us continue our study on the Works of Mercy.



CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY #2:

Give drink to the thirsty.

Christ's words from the cross, "I thirst" remind us that He thirsts for us, for our

souls. Can you make a commitment to attend a weekly hour of Adoration throughout Lent?

SPIRITUAL WORK OF MERCY #2: *To counsel the doubtful.*

Every one of us has doubts and questions about our faith. Even Mother Teresa had dark nights of the soul, wherein she felt doubt and despair. This work of mercy reminds us how important it is to walk closely with people going through transitions, loss, or great trials, holding them up in prayer and companionship. We have many parishioners who are homebound or nursing home residents. Are you reaching out to support them? A card in the mail will lift their spirits and remind them of God's love for them. Can you make a visit during Lent this year? A phone call?

LENTEN CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK: Commit to praying the Angelus every day at noon.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 2026

Every Friday during Lent (February 20th through March 27th), join us at the following locations and times:

St. Mary, Chillicothe – 5:30 p.m.

St. Mary, Waverly – 6:00 p.m.

St. Peter – 7:00 p.m.



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL FUND ENVELOPES ARE LOCATED IN THE PEWS AND ENTRANCE OF ALL CHURCHES.

You can place your envelope in the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office. Any donation is greatly appreciated. What better way to honor a loved one than to help us beautify the sanctuary for Easter! The list of names will be printed in the church bulletin during the Easter season. **Please return your envelope by Monday, March 23rd.**

CLEANING AFTER FACILITY USE

Reminder to all parish organizations, as well as persons who rent out any of our church facilities for a private party, to please clean the facility at the conclusion of your event. A cleaning checklist has been provided to all organization leaders. If you need an additional copy, please contact the Parish Office. Failure to complete the checklist following your event may result in your group no longer being able to use the facility or void your rental deposit refund.



DO YOU HAVE AN INTENTION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR FOR THE ADORATION CHAPEL?

Contact Jess Hamm in the Parish Office if you wish to request a specific week. The recommended donation is \$10.00, and this sponsorship will help us offset the cost of the Chapel candles. We will list the name of the intention as well as the name of the donor in that weekend's bulletin, and encourage weekly Adorers to further prayer.



ST. PETER STEEPLE UPDATE FROM PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT MIKE HALLER:

We are excited to share an update on the St. Peter Tower. The tower was removed this fall to access the internal boxed gutters and pipes, and to stop leaks that have plagued the tower for more than five years. Next, we had to wait for an estimate to repair/restore the tower and “barrel” upon which the tower sits. We received that quote the last day of January. The entire project’s estimated cost is \$210,000.00. This is less than half of the original estimates. Removing the tower and allowing workers to restore it at ground level saves a great deal. The diocesan policy for projects like this requires 50% of the funding in the bank and 100% of it pledged. We separated the project into two smaller projects. The first half is the tower restoration, and with generous gifts (that will be publicized later) and a grant from **The Catholic Foundation**, we had confirmation of the policy being met last Thursday. So even with the snow storm, the VERY NEXT DAY the tower was loaded and delivered to Plain City, OH for restoration. We still need approximately **\$30,000.00** to meet the pledge goal of \$210,000.00. If you wish to help with the project, please contact Mike Haller, Kymn Davis, or one of our priests. EXCITING TIMES!!



NEW MAILING ADDRESSES FOR MSGR. FRANK LANE AND FR. JACOB GORDON

We thank both Msgr. Lane and Fr. Gordon for the loving work they did for our parish during their short time with us. If you would like to send them a card or well wishes on their new assignment, you can send mail to the following addresses:
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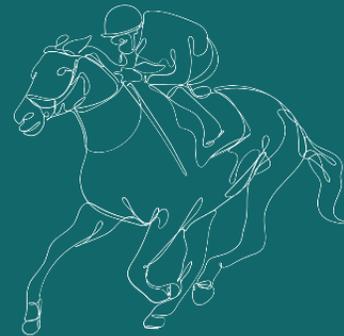
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WIDOWS' BOOK CLUB

The Widows' Book Club is honored to host and welcome our new pastor, Fr. Sean Dooley. We will have an all-parish luncheon after the 12:00/noon Mass at the St. Mary, Chillicothe Family Life Center on Sunday, March 1st. Let's have a huge turnout to show our support and love for him. Just a reminder, if you bring a dish to share – NO NUTS. Fr. Dooley is severely allergic. The parish will supply meat, and we ask you to bring your favorite dish to share. Everyone is invited.



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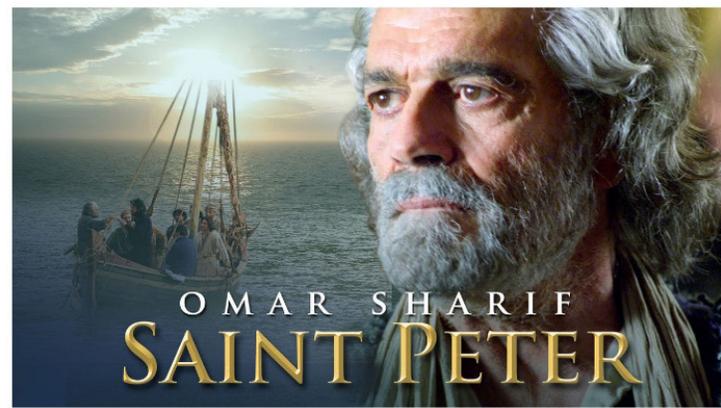
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| Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe | Laura Corcoran | Sister Sheena | Brandon Vinson – 1 Cindy Thomas – 2 | Payne Huggins | Peg Haller Gerry Struensee | Tess Hatmacher | Steve Burkhardt Bob Fyffe Dick Wagner |
| Sunday 8:00 a.m. St. Peter | Ellen Clark | Vicki Palisbo | David Glass – 1 Doug McCord – 2 | John Kessler Elijah Flynn | Frances Reisinger Kathy Dalton | Emelinda Hollis | Jim Burgess Tim Scheeler Bobbi Smith Pam Givens |
| Sunday 10:00 a.m. St. Mary, Waverly | Stephen Beck Montgomery | Reenie Cromes | Donna Corcoran – 1 Susan Wollebeck – 2 | Bodie Armstrong Owen Armstrong | John Bonifield Charles Troncone | NEED A VOLUNTEER | John Bonifield |
| Sunday 12:00 p.m. St. Mary, Chillicothe | Laura Vollmar | Rich Arnold | Rich Arnold – 1 Bridget Rourke – 2 | Carson Neal Davis Long | Carol Haller Joy Maxwell | Michael Haller | Mike Dennis Matt Haller Michael Haller Laura Vollmar |

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