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CATHOLIC PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & Noon
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:45 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration:
Mondays: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Morning Prayer: Thursday at 7:45 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Confessions

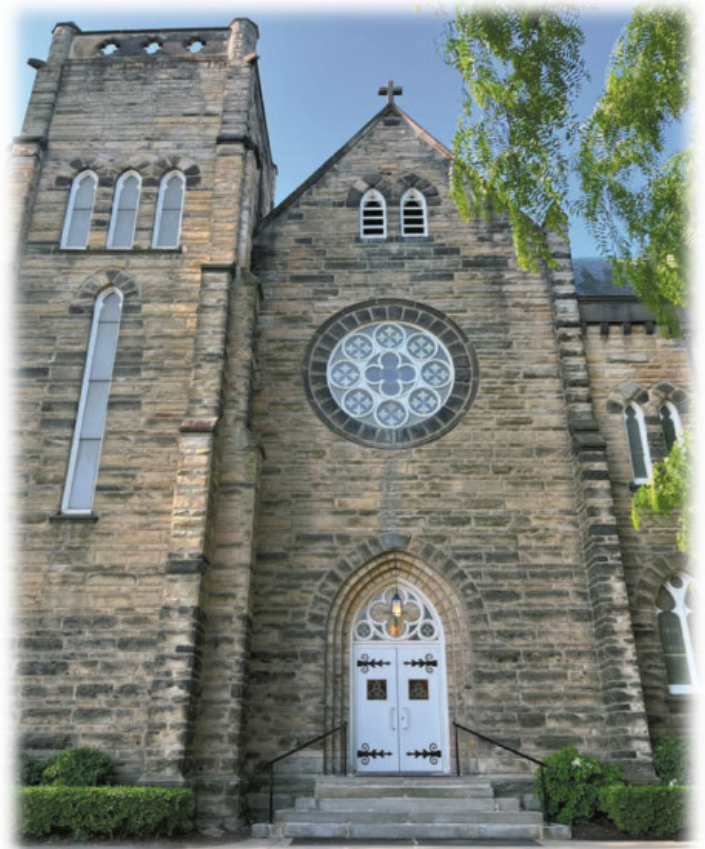
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Anointing

Please call the pastor

Marriage

Couples who are registered members of the parish should contact the pastor 6 months in advance of the intended date.



HOLY TRINITY STAFF

Parish Staff and Phone Extensions

Pastor.....Rev. Vincent Hawk (ext. 237)
Parochial Vicar.....Rev. Deogratias Ruwaainenyi (ext. 250)
Seminary Intern..... Sean Neville (ext. 251)
Executive Assistant.....Karen Boehm (ext. 239)
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Director of Religious Education.....Kevin Kaufhold (ext.241)
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HOW TO REACH US

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

The Parish Office is located near the school's Main Entrance

MASS INTENTIONS

HOLY TRINITY

ST. MARY

Mon. Dec. 11

7:45 A.M.

Maria Pia Bello

7:30 P.M

Deceased members of the
McGervey & Banville
Families

Tues. Dec. 12

7:45 A.M.

Parish All Souls

Wed. Dec. 13

7:45 A.M.

Abigail Sammon

8:30 A.M.

Charles Bommer

Thurs., Dec. 14

7:30 P.M.

Thomas Sutter

Fri. Dec. 15

7:45 A.M.

Stephen & Arlene
Ruda

8:30 A.M

Villwock & Grzybowski
Families

Sat. Dec.16

8:30 A.M.

4:00 P.M.

Dominic DiLuciano

5:00 P.M.

Louise Marold

Sun. Dec.17

7:30 A.M.

Frank & Marlette
Shimko

8:00 A.M.

Parishioners

9:00 A.M.

Eleanor Henkel

10:00 A.M.

Justin Austin

10:30 A.M.

Parishioners

Noon

Living & Deceased
Fathers of HT

Dennis & Betty Moran

Pray for the Sick at Holy Trinity:

Tina Doss Abshire | Joe Buettner | Kelly Callahan | David Carroll | Mark Fox | Matt Gould | Kelly Konya | Theresa Lattimore | Christy Lauer Janice Lee-mans | Patrick O'Toole | Paula Parker | Chad Rawlings | Regis Saltis | Tom Shaughnessy | Robert Shinko | Amanda Shultzberger | Brittany Snahnican | Jim Somers | Cyde Thom | Mary Trav-agliante-Bloss | Jennifer Varga | Marc Williams | and for all of our homebound parishioners.

Pray for our Troops:

Patrick Bergen | Paul Bohnert | John Camp | Ethan Cutright | Cayden Fischbach | Dillon Franciscus | Grace Fryer | Emma Kennelly | Ryan Kennelly | Alex Leigh | Jacob McCann | Dominic Opron | Katie Schlather | Michelle Kennelly Sweeney | Daniel Vrabic | David Vrabic | Ethan Williams

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Allen Arendt | Fr. Lawrence Bayer | Pat Beckman | Anne Benisek | Arlene Bores | Natalie Butchko | Ryan Case | Patricia Cernac | Irene Chrulski Elaine Citro | Kerry Coleman | Elizabeth Conners | Kurt Cummings | Patrick Fahey John Matthew Gibson | Ann Gomos | Bill Grabert | Anita Grant | Gwendolyn Gurney Wendy Hallier | Brenda Hazelwood | Louis Holley | Jeffrey Hostottle, Norma James Alexa Jennings | Gerald Laco | Lamb family Kate Liauw | Brian Madia | Kathleen Mahoney | Bob Mayton | Timothy McCarthy Betty McGreal | Barbara Milota | Vicky Motes | Jessica Mueller | Carey Neal | Marcia Notarberardino | Mildred Ondrus | Sandra Pitts | Thomas Richards | Judy Richardson | Joel Rivera | Tina Roach | Joan Rodger | Arthur Rossi | Diane Urig | Gerda Vanthoor | Dylan Vega | Joan Votes | Owen Winters | Joe Zvosecz | Ann Lopez | Edward Bahr | George Szocs | Celia Zegar-ec.

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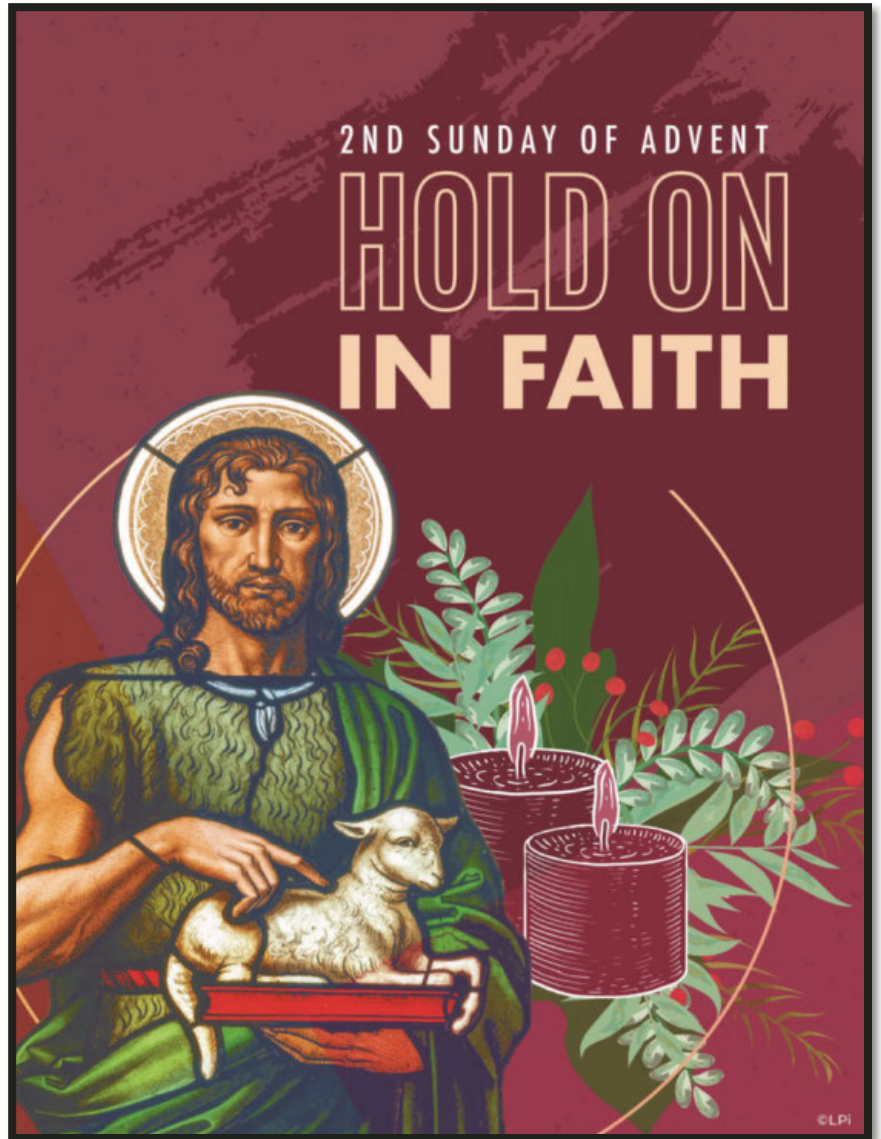
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Gospel Reflection

This Advent season, Gospel and Advent reflections pulled from a collection curated by Bishop Robert Barron and his brother priests will be provided to the Avon Catholic Community.

We like to think we are totally free, but the bitter truth is we simply are not. Or better put, our freedom is limited on every side — by governments, corporate giants, physical and mental frailties, genetic shortcomings, and even the boundaries of time and space, and above all, the burden of our sins and pending deaths. In our day, we are perhaps particularly aware that we are not free to disconnect from the technocratic rulers of the air. If you doubt me, try not paying your internet bill and see what happens. We are not totally free.

It's nothing new, of course. In Jesus' day, everyone felt the crushing weight of the Roman Empire. You can say you're free all you want. But try not paying your taxes to Rome and see what happens.



Once we feel this burden in our own lives — however it comes — we are ready to hear the stunning announcement that commences Mark's gospel, **"The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God."** It's not a simple perfunctory introduction, but a dramatic announcement of new freedom. The word "gospel" was a political, even military, term. It meant: a great victory has been won and a new king is in charge. This Jesus — not the Roman emperor — is God's son, and he has defeated all that crushes human freedom. It's time to follow him and be truly free. This week let's refuse to submit our freedom to false rulers — especially that of sin. And let's rejoice that Christ is coming to make us perfectly free from all our oppressors.

— Father John Muir



The Seven Sisters Apostolate is looking for Holy Trinity and St. Mary parishioners to join efforts to pray daily for all our priests. In this Apostolate, a Sister prays 1 holy hour for 1 assigned priest each week, this now includes Fr. Deogratias and Fr. Cleaton. 7 Sisters are needed. If interested call the parish office.

December 10, 2023

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Thank you to all those that attended Advent by Candlelight

It is with overwhelming gratitude that we thank the 300 women who joined the first Advent by Candlelight dinner last week. As the planning team set out to start a new tradition for women of both St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception and Holy Trinity, there was always that curiosity of the “unknown.” How many people would commit to attend? Would the concept of decorating your own table seem strange? What to serve for dinner, and so on. Within a week of the event circulating, excitement began to build and anxiety subsided as registration grew from the Avon Catholic Community. Thank you. Thank you for being a part of this special evening. Table decorations, desserts and all that each of you did to contribute to making the evening memorable is greatly appreciated. Thank you to the children’s choir for entertaining, to Kevin Kaufhold and Bart Chatfield for supporting the A/V efforts, and for all those that worked behind the scenes. Lastly, a warm thank you to Tom’s Country Place—your venue made the evening dazzle. See you next year on December 5, 2024!



Grandparents @ Prayer gathering is Tuesday, December 12 from 9:30 –10:30 a.m. Contact Tammie Frank with questions.

Holiday Notes: There will be no Senior Saints on 12/22 and no bereavement meeting on 12/31.

The 8-Week Grief Recovery Program will begin: January 10 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Office at Holy Trinity.

Your feelings are normal and natural. The problem is that we have been socialized to believe that these feelings are abnormal and unnatural.

Whether your loss is from:

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| -Death | -Loss of faith |
| -Divorce or end of a relationship | -Loss of safety |
| -Loss of a career | -Loss of health |
| -Loss of trust | |



People say you have to let go and move on in your life, but they don't tell you what you need to do to accomplish that. The Grief Recovery Method Outreach Program not only makes that possible, but provides partnerships and guidance to ensure that it happens.

For further information call: 440-937-5363 X223 Tammiemarie Frank, Certified Grief Recovery Specialist. RSVP Space is limited.



Mass Times for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas

Sunday, December 24
celebrating the 4th Sunday of Advent

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - Noon	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Noon

Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM	4:00 PM - Midnight

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
9:00 AM - Noon	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM



Journey to Exodus

**AT SIBLING REVELRY BREWERY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20
FROM 6:30–9:30 P.M.**

Join men from Holy Trinity and St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception and participate in a purposeful discussion in a relaxed setting about Exodus 90.



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER

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Living Nativity on Friday, December 15 from 6:30—7:30 p.m. outside at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

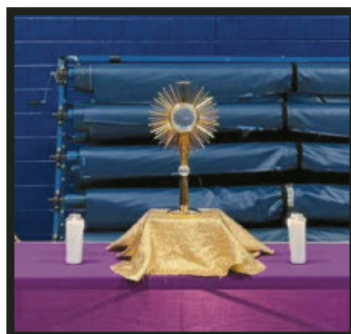
All are invited to the living nativity on Friday evening, outdoors at St. Mary's. The choir will perform traditional Christmas hymns and members of EDGE will help serve as the cast in the nativity.

The Singing Angels Youth Choir will perform a holiday concert at St. Richard (26855 Lorain Rd. North Olmsted) on Sunday, December 17 at 3 p.m. This is a FREE concert with a free will offering will be taken.

Holy Trinity School started Advent with Adoration prayer service

On December 4, the entire school community gathered as one in the gym to begin their Advent prayer journey. Fr. Deo gave a benediction and the students spent time in adoration with the Vocations Monstrance.

In November 2004, the late Pope Saint John Paul II blessed this monstrance for use during the Year of the Eucharist for people to pray for vocations. The diocese thought it only fitting during the Eucharistic Revival for the monstrance to begin circulating again in order to serve its original purpose.



Thank you to everyone who contributed last year to the Angel Scholarship program. It was a wonderful success for Holy Trinity as we strive to keep tuition costs reasonable year-over-year for families enrolled. As 2023 comes to a close, we ask for consideration in supporting this State of Ohio scholarship tax credit program. By making a “no-net cost” contribution, students from Holy Trinity receive tuition support through scholarship dollars provided by this program. Donors to the Angel Scholarship Fund may be eligible for a 1:1 state tax credit against their Ohio tax liability (up to \$750 for individuals or \$1,500 for married couples filing jointly, when both spouses contribute \$750); Last year, any family that applied, Holy Trinity was able to award. Please consider participating again this year.

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This year we were able to
award money to everyone
who applied making
Catholic Education more
affordable.

Pastor Vince Hawk

It is a blessing to have the
opportunity to send my tax dollars
to Holy Trinity School to benefit my
children and all of our school and
parish families.

Principal Kim Kuchta

Further Questions Contact

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John Herda Parishioner: (216) 387-3239/ Jherda@jcu.edu

Mark Rowland CPA & Parishioner: (440) 552-1979/ mrowland@petrohomes.com

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

A voice cries out:

In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!

Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!

(Is 40:3)

Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

Second Reading:

We await new heavens and a new earth

in which righteousness dwells. (1 Pt 1:13)

Gospel:

John the Baptist appeared in the desert

proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the

forgiveness of sins. (Mk 16:4)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ is making a journey into each of our hearts this Advent. Clear away whatever blocks his way. Make straight the path. Invite him in.

Observances for the week of December 10, 2023

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. Damasus I, Pope

Tuesday: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wednesday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Thursday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Readings for the week of December 10, 2023

Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
(8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday:

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday:

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday:

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday:

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/
Mt 11:11-15

Friday:

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday:

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday:

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
(Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



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