

“Just so, your light must *shine before others*,
that they may see your good deeds
and glorify *your heavenly Father.*”

– Matthew 5:16

February 8, 2026 | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Queen of Heaven Family of Parishes

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Cincinnati OH, 45239
513-521-8440

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
7130 Harrison Ave
Cincinnati OH 45247
513-353-4207

St. James the Greater
3565 Hubble Rd
Cincinnati OH, 45247
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St. Margaret Mary
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A PRAYER FOR MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN FAMILY OF PARISHES

For our Family of Parishes, that our four parishes may, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, work in a spirit of collaboration with one another as we together strive for holiness, and embrace the Mission of Christ to proclaim the Gospel to all, let us pray to the Lord...

BECOMING CATHOLIC

We welcome you and your questions about the Catholic Faith. The Journey in Faith to become Catholic is a process known as the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). Please contact Deacon Tim Crooker for inquiries.

NEW PARISHIONER OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Parish Office if you have had a change of address or phone number, or if a member of your family has gone into a nursing facility or moved out of the household.

PRIEST'S MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 9 – Weekday

8:30 a.m.	Joe Folzenlogen	St. James
12:00 Noon	Special Intention of Betty Lou Brinkman	St. Bernard
6:45 p.m.	Bob Dieckman	St. Ann
	No Mass	St. Margaret Mary

Tuesday, February 10 – St. Scholastica

8:30 a.m.	Marian Breen	St. Ann
8:30 a.m.	Natalia Agdeppa	St. James
12:00 Noon	Chris Reider & Family	St. Bernard
6:00 p.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory	St. Ann
	No Mass	St. Margaret Mary

Wednesday, February 11 – Weekday

8:30 a.m.	Gerald Pfeiffer	St. Bernard
8:30 a.m.	Joe Karaus	St. James
	No Mass	St. Ann
	No Mass	St. Margaret Mary

Thursday, February 12 – Weekday

8:30 a.m.	Pat Mihaleas	St. Ann
12:00 Noon	Jim Dewald	St. Margaret Mary
	No Mass	St. Bernard
	No Mass	St. James

Friday, February 13 – Weekday

8:30 a.m.	Phil Muldoon	St. James
12:00 Noon	Janet Huegen	St. Bernard
	No Mass	St. Ann
	No Mass	St. Margaret Mary

Saturday, February 14 – Sts. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop

3:00 p.m.	Sally Wathen	St. Ann
4:00 p.m.	Lori Cotterell	St. Bernard
4:30 p.m.	Parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven Family of Parishes	St. James
	No Mass	St. Margaret Mary

Sunday, February 15 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	James Keller	St. James
8:30 a.m.	LaVerne Dittmer	St. Bernard
9:00 a.m.	Lois Anderson	St. Ann
10:00 a.m.	Allan Stentz	St. Margaret Mary
10:00 a.m.	Special Intention of Katrina N. Raneses	St. James
10:30 a.m.	Suzanne Jones	St. Bernard
11:30 a.m.	Special Intention of Don Giovenale	St. Ann

IN SYMPATHY

Mary, Queen of Heaven extends prayers and sympathy to the families of :
Michael Knueven and Martin Strohofer

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least six months before any other planning. Pre-Cana Conference, FOCCUS, Engaged Encounter or Equivalent, programs are required.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

The Sacrament of Baptism for children age seven and younger is celebrated each month at St. James (4th Sunday, 11:30 a.m.); St. Bernard (2nd Sunday, 10:30 a.m.); and as scheduled at St. Ann & St. Margaret Mary. Parents are required to attend a Parent Information Session prior to scheduling a Baptism. These sessions on Baptism are held the second Thursday of each month at St. James or by appointment at St. Bernard & St. Margaret Mary. St. Ann has Baptism preparation classes during Mass+ on the third Sunday of the month.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A BASIC CATECHISM:

Last week, I talked about the Trinity and our relationship to God as being an entrance into the life of the Trinity. This week, I want to talk about some specifics concerning the Trinity itself. We believe in one God, and yet we also believe in Father, Son and Holy Spirit, all of whom are fully God. Some non-Christians, and even some Christian denominations wonder at this. It certainly seems as though we have three gods. We proclaim that God is one, with one divine nature, but three divine persons. One conception is of the Father as Source. This does not mean He predates Son and Holy Spirit, but that He is the logical beginning of the relationship. In human relationships, a man does predate his children, but a man cannot be called a father until a child is born. The father does not exist until he has a son. Similarly, a man may be capable of loving children, but he cannot love his own children until they are at least conceived. In God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit all exist without beginning or end, and yet the Father cannot be Father without the Son. The Son cannot be Son without the Father, and the Holy Spirit cannot be the Spirit of Love, without the Father and Son.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES:

On Wednesday, we celebrate Mary's appearance to St. Bernadette at Lourdes in France. Mary would make 18 appearances. Many healings have occurred and occur to the present day.

PRAYER:

Lord, we struggle always to live our lives in Your light. Fill our hearts with compassion. Open our eyes to each other's need. Most of all, give us the courage and strength to continue when we fall.



WEATHER ALERT

When School is delayed or cancelled because of the weather (inclement weather or temperature), **MASS IS CANCELLED!** We follow school closings or delays for Northwest Schools.

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY PROTOCOL

As part of the Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish Family, we have established the following protocol for Sacramental Emergencies.

WHAT IS A SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY?

Sacramental Emergencies are if someone is in imminent danger of dying and wishes to receive the sacraments before passing. This also may include those who are under someone's care and are unable to request the sacraments themselves—including but not limited to, emergency infant Baptism or last rites of someone with dementia. If someone either has a chronic illness or is not in imminent danger, please schedule an anointing. It is suggested that the sick person receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the beginning of any serious condition—not at the end. **If you are in need of a priest or have a Sacramental Emergency after hours, please call 513-369-9820.**

VOCATION CHALICE

St. Ann

February 8 – Lyle & Terri Glazier at 9:00 a.m.
February 15 – Joyce May at 11:30 a.m.

St. Margaret Mary

February 8 – Jenni Petrey

Please prayerfully consider participating in this ministry to pray for Catholics to answer the call to a vocation as priests, or religious such as brothers and sisters.

LITURGY/CONFESIONS

St. James

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00/10:00 a.m.
Reconciliation: Friday 9:00-10:00 a.m.

St. Ann

Monday 6:45 p.m.
Tuesday 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday No Mass
Thursday 8:30 a.m.
Friday No Mass
Saturday 3:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00/ 11:30 a.m.
Reconciliation: Monday & Thursday 5:00-6:30 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary

Monday-Wednesday No Mass
Thursday 12:00 Noon
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

St. Bernard

Monday 12:00 Noon
Tuesday 12:00 Noon
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Thursday No Mass
Friday 12:00 Noon
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30/10:30 a.m.
Reconciliation:
Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

BEQUESTS

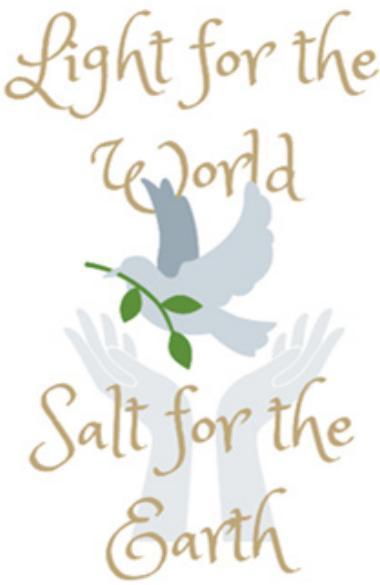
A bequest to your parish is a way to honor your church and faith of your lifetime. A bequest, included in your will, is exempt from estate and inheritance taxes, and reduces the amount of the estate to be taxed. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

MEN INQUIRING ABOUT THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

Any man who may be discerning a possible vocation to serve the Church as a Permanent Deacon should contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, to discuss the discernment process, prerequisites and the formation cycle. Deacon Mark can be reached at 513-263-6641 or deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements for Mary, Queen of Heaven must be approved by the appropriate director before submitting to Gina Perkins, Director of Communications, at gperkins@stjameswhiteoak.com. Announcements must be submitted by 10:00 a.m. Monday, two weeks prior to requested publish date. Please plan accordingly.

**"YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH... YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."****— MATTHEW 5:13-14**

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses two powerful images – salt and light – to describe our mission as disciples. Salt preserves, enhances, and purifies. Light reveals, guides, and brings comfort. Both are essential in the world, and both only fulfill their purpose when they are used, not hidden or forgotten.

Jesus challenges us: Don't lose your flavor. Don't hide your light. Instead, live your faith so boldly and authentically that others are drawn not to you, but to God through your good deeds.

What does this mean for us as stewards?

True stewardship is not just about offering our time, talent, and treasure – it's about how we offer them: generously, joyfully, and with intention. It's recognizing that all we have is a gift from God, and then choosing to use those gifts to bless others.

To be "salt of the earth" is to preserve goodness and bring out the best in our families, communities, and parishes.

To be "light of the world" is to live in a way that reflects Christ's love – illuminating hope where there is darkness, and inviting others into God's presence through our service and example.

May we be bold stewards – salty and shining – so that through our faithful witness, others may glorify our Heavenly Father.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

Where am I being called to season the world with God's love?

How can I let my light shine more intentionally in my family, parish, or workplace?

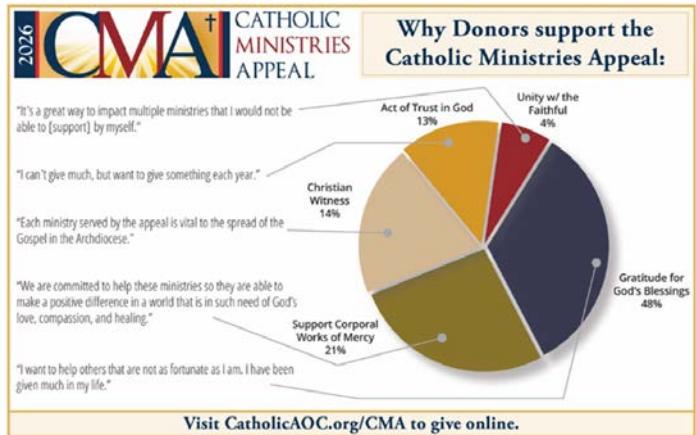
Am I actively using my gifts to build up the Body of Christ?

**2026 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)**

Archbishop Casey sends his thanks to everyone who has pledged to the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Extra pledge envelopes are available for your convenience this weekend. To make an online donation, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA.

Thank you!

**LOVE IN ACTION****40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

The "40 Days for Life" prayer vigil is a peaceful presence dedicated to ending abortion through prayer, fasting, constant vigil and community outreach. Those who stand witness send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. The Spring/Lenten Campaign runs from February 18 through March 29. Mary, Queen of Heaven family of parishes will be participating on Saturday, February 28 from 7:00 a.m. through 7:00 p.m.

Please consider signing up to pray with us in front of Planned Parenthood on Auburn Avenue. Flyers and sign-up sheets will be at all the parishes, or call Connie Kirby at 513-470-4010 (fullyalive@yahoo.com)

If you cannot make this date and would like to participate, check out "cincy40days@fuse.net." Thank you!





THE MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN EVANGELIZATION TEAM

Mrs. Barbara Yoder, Director, also Adult Evangelization; Dcn. Tim Crooker, Marriage and Family; Mrs. Pam Bevington, Youth; Mrs. Elena McSwane, Children. It is the mission of the **EVANGELIZATION TEAM** to work with and for the community of Mary, Queen of Heaven to offer studies, speakers, classes and more, to assist the people of God in growing closer to our Lord. We welcome your ideas and participation, contact Barbara Yoder, Director of Evangelization at yoder@stbernardtc.org or 513-353-4207, ext. 5.

OCIA RITE OF SENDING & RITE OF ELECTION

The Rite of Election includes the enrollment of names of all the Catechumens seeking Baptism at the coming Easter Vigil. Typically, on the first Sunday of Lent, the Catechumens and their sponsors gather at the Cathedral Basilica. The Catechumens publicly express their desire for Baptism to the Archdiocesan bishop. Their names are recorded in a book, and they are called the Elect. Candidates for entrance into the Catholic Church, and those who are completing their Sacraments of Initiation are also included in a separate part of the rite. **They will be sent from the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. James Church on Sunday, February 22nd.** All are welcome to attend Mass at St. James and pray for them in person. They will be remembered in prayer at all the parishes. (Coming soon, *About the Scrutinies*).

PARENT MEETINGS FOR FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Wednesday, February 11th: First Communion Parent Meeting (English) at St. Bernard Church for St. Bernard School & MQH PSR. **ALSO, Tuesday, February 17th:** First Communion Parent Meeting for St. James School Students.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES:

FAITH STUDY + VOLLEYBALL FOR GRADES 8-12

A new 4-week study begins with the program "Return," preparing our hearts for the Season of Lent. Faith & Dinner begins at 6:25 p.m. in Marian Hall (church undercroft). Volleyball begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Sign up for both or just one event. February 22, March 8, 15, & 22, 2026 at St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Springdale & Harrison Roads. Pbevington@stjameswhiteoak.com, 513-741-5300

SAVE THE DATE – MQH SUMMER PSR PROGRAM – JUNE 1-12, 2026



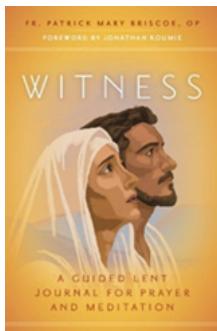
ST. BERNARD MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MASS & BRUNCH

Sunday morning, February 15th St. Bernard Church will be celebrating their couples married 25, 30, 40, 50 & 50+ years of marriage at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Brunch is by invitation, must RSVP. Questions? Call Mary Sue at 513-353-4207, ext. 6.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

February 7-14, 2026 is National Marriage Week! **World Marriage Sunday will be celebrated on February 8th.** This year's theme will be "Man and Woman, He Created Them: Together with Purpose." This theme honors the unique gifts of men and women, and how these gifts are expressed in a spirit of complementarity.

MQH CHILDREN'S VBS – "LIVING IN GOD'S KINGDOM" – JULY 13-17, 2026



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

This Lent, walk the road to Calvary with those who witnessed the Passion firsthand with the Lenten devotional *WITNESS* from Ave Maria Press. Explore the characters of the Passion one by one, examining their choices, their failures, and their moments of grace. Some will inspire you; others may unsettle you. But all will draw you closer to Jesus. The book *WITNESS* is a journal for daily prayer and meditation. Weekly we will gather and meditate on different virtues with biblical figures from the Passion, and watch a companion reflection video featuring Fr. Patrick Mary Briscoe, OP. **Meet with us for seven Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in St. James Seniors Room starting February 17th, ending March 31st.** RSVP to Elaine Rasp by February 9th for ordering books at 513-604-5091 or ELAINELRASP@GMAIL.COM



EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday, February 9

8:05 a.m.	Rosary
8:30 a.m.	Mass
11:00 a.m.	Rosary Shepherds of Christ
11:00 a.m.	Soul Core Rosary
12:00 Noon	Mass
5:00 p.m.	Confessions
5:45 p.m.	Daisy Troop Meeting
6:00 p.m.	OCIA
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scout Meeting
6:45 p.m.	Mass
7:00 p.m.	Music Ensemble Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	St. Mary's Ladies Society Meeting
7:30 p.m.	Patriotic Rosary

Tuesday, February 10

8:30 a.m.	Mass
8:30 a.m.	Mass
9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
10:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary (BMH)
12:00 Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12:00 Noon	Ladies Lunch & Prayer, Knights of Columbus
12:00 Noon	Mass
3:15 p.m.	AHG Meeting
5:00 p.m.	Benediction
6:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scout Den Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Hispanic Ministry
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul (BMH)

Wednesday, February 11

8:05 a.m.	Rosary
8:30 a.m.	Mass
8:30 a.m.	Mass
5:45 p.m.	Troop 4424 Meeting
6:00 p.m.	2nd Grade Cub Scout Den Meeting
6:30 p.m.	MQH Family Pastoral Council Meeting
6:35 p.m.	MQH Respect Life Meeting (BMH)
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal

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Thursday, February 12

8:30 a.m.	Mass	St. Ann
9:00 a.m.	Exposition	St. Ann
10:00 a.m.	Luke Bible Study	St. Bernard
12:00 Noon	Mass	St. Margaret Mary
5:00 p.m.	Confessions	St. Ann
5:30 p.m.	Baptism Workshop	St. James
6:00 p.m.	Festival Committee Meeting	St. James
6:30 p.m.	School Advisory Commission Meeting	St. James
6:45 p.m.	Benediction	St. Ann

Friday, February 13

6:00 a.m.	Father's Ministry	St. James
8:05 a.m.	Rosary	St. James
8:30 a.m.	Mass	St. James
9:00 a.m.	Confessions	St. James
12:00 Noon	Mass	St. Bernard

Saturday, February 14

6:15 a.m.	That Man Is You!	St. Bernard
8:00 a.m.	Men's Book Club (TR)	St. Ann
3:00 p.m.	Mass	St. Ann
4:00 p.m.	Mass	St. Bernard
4:30 p.m.	Mass	St. James

Sunday, February 15

Mass Anniversary Brunch		St. Bernard
after 8:30 Mass by Invitation Only		St. Bernard
Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses		St. James
8:00 a.m. Mass		St. James
8:00 a.m. Rosary		St. Bernard
8:30 a.m. Mass		St. Bernard
9:00 a.m. Mass		St. Ann
10:00 a.m. Mass		St. Margaret Mary
10:00 a.m. Mass – 5th Grade Family Mass		St. James
10:00 a.m. Sunday Preschool		St. James
10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word		St. James
10:30 a.m. Mass		St. Bernard
10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word		St. Bernard
11:30 a.m. Mass		St. Ann



FROM THE SAFE ENVIRONMENT OFFICE

We would like to remind all parish/school employees and volunteers of the requirements of the *Decree on Child Protection*. All employees and volunteers are required to have completed **The Archdiocese of Cincinnati: Protecting Children From Sexual Abuse – Archdiocese of Cincinnati Edition**. In addition, employees are required to complete an online background check, manual fingerprinting, and B4 form once prior to beginning employment. Ohio Department of Education licensees may have additional requirements, and school offices or athletic departments should be consulted if there are any questions. Volunteers are required to complete an online background check prior to volunteering with youth. Employees and volunteers are required to stay current in completing SafeParish™ quarterly bulletins.

Please make sure you are up to date on completing the quarterly bulletins or you will not be able to work/volunteer with youth until your SafeParish™ account is approved. Please direct questions regarding bulletin completion to your parish/school safe environment coordinator at csajnog@saintannparish.org at St. Ann; sandling@stbernardtc.org at St. Bernard; gperkins@stjameswhiteoak.com at St. James; jpetrey@stmargaretmaryparish.org at St. Margaret Mary.

Ash Wednesday
Mass Schedule

- 8:30am St. Bernard*
- 8:30am St. James*
- 10:30am St. Ann*
- 12:00pm St. Margaret Mary
- 4:00pm St. Ann
- 5:30pm St. Bernard
- 7:00pm St. James

*Masses w/ Students



ST. JAMES SCHOOL NEWS

NO SCHOOL

There is no school Monday, February 9th! Enjoy your long weekend.

CSSD DAY

Friday is a CSSD Day! Students who bring in at least a \$1.00 donation will be allowed to wear St. James spirit wear.



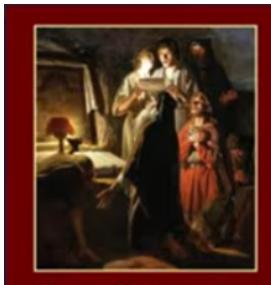
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Students in K-3 will celebrate with parties Friday afternoon.

God & Cod
in
2026

Please join us for good food and fellowship every Friday from February 20th – March 27th from 4:30-7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. We will once again be serving our delicious baked fish and fried fish dinners, fried shrimp, LaRosa's pizza, North College Hill bakery bread, and hot pretzels. In addition to dining in the Church Hall, we have a drive up/pick-up option in the lower church parking lot. Download our app "mymenuhelper," search for nearby locations and select "St. James Fish Fry." When you place your order on the app and pay by credit card, you can choose your pick-up time and your order can be brought out to your car in the parking lot! You can also come in to the Church Hall and order carry-out, or place a phone order by calling the Church Hall on Fridays from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at 741-5311. This is a single phone line, so please be patient.

As always, this event would not be possible without the hundreds of volunteers who donate their time. There are many opportunities to get involved, so please sign up. It is as simple as visiting our website at www.stjamesfishfry.org and clicking on "Volunteers." If you have any questions, please email the Fish Fry Committee at stfishfrywo@gmail.com. Hope to see you at the St. James Fish Fry this Lenten Season!



*From Christendom
to Apostolic Mission*

Pastoral Strategies for an Apostolic Age

UNIVERSITY OF MARY

ST. ANN MEN'S GROUP

Beginning on Saturday, February 14, the St. Ann Men's Group is going to host a book discussion on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. The group will meet in the Trinity Room from 8:00-9:00 a.m. and will begin with Monsignor James Patrick Shea's, *From Christendom to Apostolic Age*. Each of the five chapters will be discussed and be used as a springboard to talk about the current culture that we live in and educate ourselves on the best ways to share our Catholic faith with others in an increasingly non-Christian culture.

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WESTSIDE MULT-GRADE SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1966

Reunite, Remember, Celebrate
Reserve this day on your calendar!
Monday, APRIL 27, 2026 – 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Jim & Jacks, 3456 River Road 45238

Food and drink purchases are on your own. Plan to BE THERE!! So many people want to see you! For more information, go to Westsideforever66@gmail.com.



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LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL & MATTHEW 25: MINISTRIES CLOTHING DRIVE

February 22 and March 1, 2026

La Salle High School is answering the call to serve with its 6th Annual *Truck Full of Love: Clothing Drive*. The LS *Truck Full of Love: Clothing Drive* is right around the corner and is a great opportunity for you to donate gently used clothes, linens, shoes, blankets, etc.... On 2/22 and 3/1 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. you will be able to pull through the front of La Salle High School where students will be there to help unload your donations. All donations will benefit local nonprofit, Matthew 25: Ministries. Any and every donation is greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact the La Salle High School student servant leaders via email at lsclothingdrive@

St. John Baptist de La Salle... pray for us.
Live, Jesus, in our hearts... forever.
We are... called to serve.



ST. ANN WEEKLY RAFFLE

Weekly \$100.00 Raffle Winner: February 1, 2026 – Emily Oehler (Ticket # 0746)





**Peace of Mind for Your Family |
Pre-planning Seminar**

Tuesday, March 24th
11AM, 2PM, 6PM

Gate of Heaven Cemetery's Family Service Advisors are ready to assist you in planning final arrangements. Pre-planning ensures your legacy is honored with faith and care.

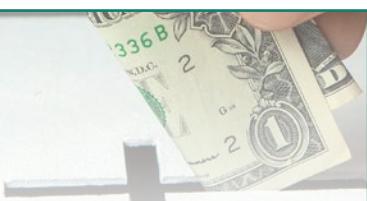
Registration is Suggested
Call 513-489-0300

 **GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY**
Archdiocese of Cincinnati





YOUR GIFTS TO GOD



SUNDAY OFFERING – JANUARY 25, 2026

St. Ann	\$ 9,067.51
St. Bernard	\$ 7,427.96
St. James	\$ 21,856.49
St. Margaret Mary	Mass cancelled due to weather

SUNDAY OFFERING – FEBRUARY 1, 2026

St. Ann	\$ 17,458.50
St. Bernard	\$ 14,047.24
St. James	\$ 29,584.66
St. Margaret Mary	\$ 5,064.00

ONLINE GIVING
Contributions to all of our parishes in the Mary, Queen of Heaven Family (St. Bernard & St. James) are **NOW ALSO available** through our secure ["WeShare Link."](#) St. Ann & St. Margaret Mary are available through "Our Sunday Visitor." **You have the ability to make donations online through the use of a credit card or an electronic fund transfer (EFT) from your checking or savings account. You may set up a one-time or recurring donation to St. James Church by clicking the "Online Giving" Tab on your parish website.** It's an easy, convenient and safe way to make your Sunday offerings. When you have completed your donation, you will be emailed a receipt for your records. Your donation will be recorded and be part of your year-end donation letter.

If you have questions, contact the Parish Offices:
St. Ann & St. Margaret Mary – Jenni Petrey, 513-521-7387
St. Bernard – Scott Dover, 513-353-4207
St. James – Brenda Stier, 513-741-5300
We appreciate your support!

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, February 8, 2026

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 58:7-10
Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16

Monday, February 9, 2026

Weekday
1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13
Psalm 132:6-7, 8-10
Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Saint Scholastica, Virgin
1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30
Psalm 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11
Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Weekday
1 Kings 10:1-10
Psalm 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40
Mark 7:14-23

Thursday, February 12, 2026

Weekday
1 Kings 11:4-13
Psalm 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40
Mark 7:24-30

Friday, February 13, 2026

Weekday
1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19
Psalm 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15
Mark 7:31-37

Saturday, February 14, 2026

Saints Cyril, Monk, and
Methodius, Bishop
1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34
Psalm 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22
Mark 8:1-10

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Light shines
through the
darkness for the
upright.

– Psalm 112:4

SAINT SCHOLASTICA

Saint of the Day: February 10

Patron Saint of Cloistered Nuns

Twins often share the same interests and ideas with an equal intensity. Therefore, it is no surprise that Scholastica and her twin brother, Benedict, established religious communities within a few miles from each other.

Born in 480 of wealthy parents, Saint Scholastica and Benedict were brought up together until he left central Italy for Rome to continue his studies.

Little is known of Scholastica's early life. She founded a religious community for women near Monte Cassino at Plombariola, five miles from where her brother governed a monastery. The twins visited each other once a year in a farmhouse because Scholastica was not permitted inside the monastery. They spent these times discussing spiritual matters.

According to the Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great, the brother and sister spent their last day together in prayer and conversation. Scholastica sensed her death was close at hand and she begged Benedict to stay with her until the next day.

He refused her request because he did not want to spend a night outside the monastery, thus breaking his own Rule. Scholastica asked God to let her brother remain and a severe thunderstorm broke out, preventing Benedict and his monks from returning to the abbey.

Benedict cried out, "God forgive you, Sister. What have you done?" Saint Scholastica replied, "I asked a favor of you and you refused. I asked it of God and he granted it."

Brother and sister parted the next morning after their long discussion. Three days later, Benedict was praying in his monastery and saw the soul of his sister rising heavenward in the form of a white dove. Benedict then announced the death of his sister to the monks and later buried her in the tomb he had prepared for himself.

Read the full article: "Saint Scholastica" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-scholastica/> (Accessed January 23, 2026).

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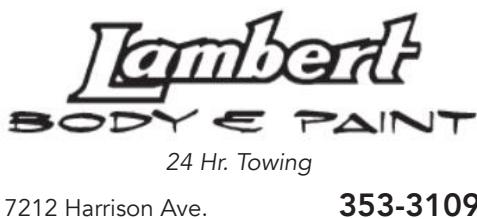
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