

#### **PASTOR**

Rev. Matthew Robben

#### **PAROCHIAL VICARS**

Rev. Henry Hoffmann

#### **SENIOR PAROCHIAL VICAR**

Rev. Anthony Dattilo

#### **DEACONS**

Robert Schroeder, St. Antoninus

Mark Madden, OLL Thomas Westerfield, Senior Status, OLL

#### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

#### Saturday Vigil

3:30 p.m. St. Aloysius Gonzaga 4:00 p.m. St. Antoninus

#### Sunday Mass

8:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes 9:00 am St. Martin of Tours 10:00 am St. Antoninus 11:00 am St. Catharine of Siena

#### **After Hours Sacramental Emergency**

If you have a Sacramental Emergency (Anointing, death in the family, etc.) and the FMHE central Office is closed, please call 513-910-3971.

#### **RECONCILIATION**

#### <u>Monday</u>

7:15-7:45 am St. Martin of Tours 9:00-9:30 am Our Lady of Lourdes Wednesday

St. Catharine of Siena

8:30-9:00 am St. Aloysius Gonzaga

6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Antoninus

8:30-9:00 am

<u>Saturday</u>

8:30-9:30 am St. Antoninus 2:00-3:00 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes 2:00-3:00 p.m. St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Sunday

8:00-8:30 am St. Martin of Tours

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

#### St. Antoninus

Monday 9:00 am-10:00 p.m. Tuesday 9:00 am-10:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 am-10:00 p.m. Thursday 9:00 am-8:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 am-10:00 p.m.

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Thursday 8:30-9:30 am

St. Catharine of Siena First Friday 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Saturday 12:00-3:00 p.m.

ST. ALOYSIUS stalsbridgetown.org 513-574-4840 ST. ANTONINUS saintantoninus.org 513-922-5400

ST. CATHARINE stcathos.org 513-661-0651 ST. MARTIN saintmartin.org 513-661-2000

LENT

"Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

OUR LADY OF LOURDES lourdes.org 513-922-0715

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

To schedule a Mass Intention. please contact your parish office.

#### **GIFTS OF TREASURE:**

Parishioners may place their giving envelopes in the offertory at any Mass and the contribution will be forwarded to the parishioner's home parish. Anyone who wishes to enroll in automatic online giving, please contact your parish office.

#### **BULLETIN INFORMATION:**

Please turn in bulletin submissions Monday by 4:00 p.m. (two Mondays before the Sunday!) Submissions appear in the following weekend, not the coming weekend bulletin. Please submit items to: bulletin@fmhe.org. Please note the email address change.

#### MASS ATTENDANCE:

Monitoring Mass attendance allows us the ability to ensure adequate space for parishioners at liturgies and to monitor the growth of our parishes.

#### **GIFTS OF STOCK:**

If you currently work for, or are retired from, a company that has a Matching Gift program, you can make a contribution to the parish or school that will be matched by your company. Contact Jeff Rinear for more information at 922-0715, ext. 3328 or jrinear@fmhe.org.

#### RECONCILIATION TIMES FOR PARISH FAMILIES

Monday, 7:15-7:45 a.m. St. Martin 9:00-9:30 a.m. OLL

#### Wednesday,

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8:30-9:00 a.m. St. Catherine Thursday, 8:30-9:00 a.m. St. Aloysius 6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Antoninus Saturday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. St. Antoninus

2:00-3:00 p.m. OLL 2:00-3:00 p.m. St. Aloysius Sunday, 8:00-8:30 a.m. St. Martin

#### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

St. Martin, Monday, after 8:00 a.m. Mass when school is in session. St. Catharine, Friday, after 8:00 a.m. Mass when school is in session.



#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

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Saturday,	February 24	

8:00 a.m. St. Antoninus Ed Fay † Fr. Matthew Robben 3:30 p.m. St. Aloysius Dolores Waters † Fr. Henry Hoffmann 4:00 p.m. St. Antoninus Special Intentions of Dan & Donna Bain on their 50th Wedding Anniversary Fr. Anthony Dattilo

Sunday, February 25

8:00 a.m. OLL Joe Westerfield † Fr. Anthony Dattilo 9:00 a.m. St. Martin Richard Mushaben †, Gloria Pfalz † Fr. Matthew Robben 10:00 a.m. St. Antoninus Nora Millea † Fr. Henry Hoffmann

11:00 a.m. St. Catharine For All Members of Our Family of

Parishes, Living & Deceased Fr. Matthew Robben

Monday, February 26

8:00 a.m. St. Martin For the Men of the Serenelli Project Fr. Henry Hoffmann Fr. Matthew Robben 8:30 a.m. OLL For Jacquie Hoeting (L)

Tuesday, February 27

8:00 a.m. St. Aloysius Walter Albrecht † Fr. Matthew Robben 8:00 a.m. St. Antoninus Harry Jaeger † (birthday remembrance),

Teresa Lanza † Fr. Henry Hoffmann

Wednesday, February 28

For all Catechumens & Candidates 8:00 a.m. St. Catharine Fr. Anthony Dattilo 8:30 a.m. OLL For Those in the Hospital or in Hospice Care Fr. Henry Hoffmann

Thursday, February 29

8:00 a.m. St. Aloysius Bernie Lorenz † Fr. Henry Hoffmann 8:00 a.m. St. Martin For Those Whose Lives are Affected by War Fr. Matthew Robben

Friday, March I

8:00 a.m. St. Antoninus For the Special Intentions of Jayd Neely Fr. Matthew Robben 8:00 a.m. St. Catharine Bertha Shifflet † Fr. Anthony Dattilo

Saturday, March 2

8:00 a.m. St. Antoninus For the Protection of the Unborn Fr. Matthew Robben 3:30 p.m. St. Aloysius Members of the Family of the Most Holy Eucharist, Tim Westheider † Fr. Anthony Dattilo 4:00 p.m. St. Antoninus Dan & Bonnie Horn † Fr. Henry Hoffmann

Sunday, March 3

8:00 a.m. OLL For the Living and Deceased Members of the Family of the Most Holy Eucharist Fr. Matthew Robben 9:00 a.m. St. Martin Lenny Re †, Memorial Fund Fr. Henry Hoffmann 10:00 a.m. St. Antoninus Bob Jones † (birthday remembrance) Fr. Matthew Robben 11:00 a.m. St. Catharine Josephat Nguyen †, Isave Ngoc Thi Tran † Fr. Anthony Dattilo

#### FIRST FRIDAY EVENING MASS

We will celebrate First Friday Evening Mass on Friday, March 1st at 6:30 p.m. at St. Catharine of Siena, followed by First Friday devotions and Confession. Please join us!



#### THE SACRAMENTS

Christ instituted the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Eucharist, the Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders and Matrimony. The seven sacraments touch all the stages and important moments of Christian life. Please find below information on obtaining the sacraments.

BAPTISM: Expectant parents are asked to call the Evangelization office approximately three months before the anticipated birth date to enroll in the parental preparation program. Contact Erin Dwyer at Edwyer@lourdes.org with questions.

MATRIMONY: We ask that either the bride or groom be a registered, active parishioner for at least six months before arranging a date for your wedding. To get started in your preparation process, please call the Worship office at least six months before your wedding date. Contact Christy Welsh at Cwelsh@fmhe.org to discuss the marriage preparation process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you are anticipating surgery or have become ill and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Christy Welsh in the Worship office.

HOLY ORDERS: The Church is in need of good and holy men to become priests. If you are interested in learning more about the priesthood, please contact Fr. Henry Hoffman in the Worship office.

### May They Rest in Peace



Please pray for the following parishioners within the Family of Parishes who have recently passed away:

Anthony Asalon – Our Lady of Lourdes Mary Hempelman – St. Aloysious Gonzaga Eugene Zeiser – St. Aloysius Gonzaga Louis Roy – St. Martin of Tours

Theresa Lawrence – St. Aloysius Gonzaga Ann Wilke - St. Martin of Tours

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

#### LITURGY & WORSHIP: THE ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I hope that you have noticed an important addition to the music and liturgy of our Family of Parishes at the weekend Masses. Following the oldest tradition of the Church, which was revived after Vatican II, we are singing the Entrance Antiphon when the priest reaches the altar. This chant was made mandatory by the Church in the New Order of Mass in 1969 but has been largely neglected throughout the world. This is very unfortunate, and many parishes today, around the world and in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, are trying to recover this lost treasure.

The Entrance Antiphon usually comes from the Bible, or the inspired writings of the Church's tradition, and follows the ancient Jewish and Christian tradition of chanting verses from the Psalms before going up to the altar. Each entrance antiphon provides us with a "theme" for the liturgy, which unites all the different prayers and readings in the Mass. I encourage you to look up and meditate upon the Entrance Antiphon in the week leading up to each weekend liturgy. This will help you to better understand the meaning of the readings and prayers which you will hear at Mass. May Christ the High Priest sanctify you through your understanding and conscious, prayerful participation in the Church's liturgy! Please check the bulletin for a weekly blurb about the liturgy, from the office of the Director of Liturgy and Worship for the Family of the Most Holy Eucharist. More nuggets of information to come!

- Fr. Henry

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Sign up for St. Antoninus at: adorationpro.org/saintantoninus Monday, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Rosary with Benediction and Adoration at 7:00 p.m. Friday, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

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Our Lady of Lourdes Saturday, Noon-3:00 p.m. St. Catharine, 1st Friday, 1:00-3:00 p.m. St. Aloysius, Thursday, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

#### **ROSARY**

St. Antoninus

After 8:00 a.m. weekday Masses Monday, 7:00 p.m., Church, Fatima Prayer Group Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Church First Friday, 2:00 p.m., Church

Tuesday & Thursday, 7:35 a.m., Church. First Saturday, before 3:30 p.m. Mass

St. Catharine

Friday, 7:30 a.m., before 8:00 a.m. Mass

Our Lady of Lourdes Sunday, 7:30 a.m., Monday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m. First Saturday, Noon in church

FATIMA HOLY HOUR WITH ROSARY

Every Monday | 7:00 p.m. | St. Antoninus Chapel

Don't just give up candy... Go to *Adoration*, give of oneself.

**SIGN UP TODAY AT:** adorationpro.org/saintantoninus



We are having a CENSUS in the Family of the Most Holy Eucharist! All parishioners will be receiving a letter in the mail in an Our Lady of Lourdes envelope. Please open it! Complete the Census form inside and either return it in the OLL envelope provided -or- bring it to church (any of the 5 churches!) and drop it in the marked box or the offertory basket. We appreciate your time and attention to this important update of our parish records. Please note: We are using the Our Lady of Lourdes address as OLL will be the location of our central office in the very near future!

#### ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CEMETERY

St. Al's Cemetery spring cleanup begins March Ist. If you have an item on a grave you wish to keep, please remove it during the month of March and you may replace it after April Ist. Please note that all items on graves during cleanup are disposed of. Thank you.



#### **IGNATIAN RETREAT WEEKEND 2024**

Nine parishioners from Our Lady of Lourdes (Carmine Dilonardo, Tim Horton, Deacon Mark Madden, Paul Mellon, Steve Ryan, Mike Senger, Tom Tierney, Bob Westerfield and Deacon Tom Westerfield) participated in a retreat at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford the weekend of February 9-11. The retreat was rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius and directed by Fr. Tom Krettek, S.J. At the retreat, Fr. Tom gave commentary on the movements of the Mass that compare directly to the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. At the conclusion of Mass on Sunday, the Apostolic Blessing granted by the Holy Father was bestowed on each of the retreatants. Next year, our retreat will be held on February 7-9, 2025. Please mark this weekend on your calendar now.

#### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

#### Saturday, February 24

8:30-9:30 a.m. – Confessions – St. Antoninus Church
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – Lector Training – St. Martin of Tours, Fr. Mick Hall
12:00-3:00 p.m. – Adoration – OLL Church
2:00-3:00 p.m. – Confessions – OLL Church

#### Sunday, February 25

8:00-8:30 a.m. – Confessions – St. Martin of Tours Church 9:30-10:30 a.m. – Adult RCIA – St. Martin of Tours Rectory 3:00-4:30 p.m. – Early Music Festival Concert – St. Martin of Tours Church

#### Monday, February 26

9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Antoninus Chapel 9:00-9:30 a.m. – Confessions – OLL Church 10:00-11:30 a.m. – Morning Bible Study – St. Catharine Rectory 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Family Mondays – St. Martin Fr. Mick Hall 7:00-9:00 p.m. – Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group – St. Antoninus Church

7:15-7:45 a.m. – Confessions – St. Martin of Tours Church

#### Tuesday, February 27

8:45-10:00 a.m. – Around the Lenten Circle – St. Al's Tekulve Room 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Antoninus Chapel 12:00-2:30 p.m. – Forming Friendships – OLL Trinity Hall 1:00-2:30 p.m. – Small Book Study Group – OLL Archive Room (Church) 6:00-8:30 p.m. – Bereavement Meeting – St. Martin Fr. Mick Hall 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Westside Catholic YA Holy Hour – St. Catharine Church

#### Wednesday, February 28

9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Antoninus Chapel 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Walking With Purpose – OLL Trinity Hall 1:00-2:30 p.m. – Small Book Study Group – OLL Trinity Hall 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Walking With Purpose – OLL Archive Room (Church) 7:00-8:30 p.m. – Bible Study – St. Catharine Rectory 7:00-9:00 p.m. – Adult RCIA Meeting – St. Martin Rectory

8:30-9:00 a.m. - Confessions - St. Catharine of Siena

#### Thursday, February 29

8:30-9:00 a.m. – Confessions – St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Antoninus Chapel 4:00-9:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsals – St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Confessions – St. Antoninus Church 7:00-8:30 p.m. – First Communion Parent Night – OLL Trinity Hall

8:30-9:30 a.m. - Adoration - St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church

#### Friday, March I

9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Antoninus Chapel 1:00-3:00 p.m. – Adoration – St. Catharine of Siena Church 4:00-7:00 p.m. – Fish Fry – St. Aloysius Gonzaga (Drive-thru only) 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Fish Fry – St. Antoninus Undercroft 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Fish Fry – St. Catharine of Siena School Cafeteria

#### Saturday, March 2

8:30-9:30 a.m. - Confessions - St. Antoninus Church 12:00-3:00 p.m. - Adoration - OLL Church 2:00-3:00 p.m. - Confessions - OLL Church 2:00-3:00 p.m. - Confessions - St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church

#### Sunday, March 3

8:00-8:30 a.m. – Confessions – St. Martin of Tours Church 9:30-10:30 a.m. – Adult RCIA Meeting – St. Martin Rectory

# CELEBRATION OF THE SCRUTINIES WITH THE ELECT DURING LENT

On the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent at the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Martin of Tours we will celebrate the Scrutinies with those adults and children preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. The Scrutinies ask God to protect those who will soon become full members of the Church and to deliver them from evil. Because we are doing the Scrutinies, we will use the Cycle A Scripture Readings from the Gospel of John at the Masses on these three weekends instead of Cycle B (Mark). Please continue to pray for our Elect: Brandon Banks, Fred Harvey, Jr., Desiree Thompson, Natalya Thompson, Layla Thompson, Nadia Jeffers, & Jordan Bockting.



### HELP NEEDED – ART & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Are you someone who has an artistic eye? Do you like to see beauty in the church during the holiday seasons and bring joy to others by bringing that beauty to light? We need you! The Family of the Most Holy Eucharist is seeking talented and dedicated people to help bring beauty to the altar (and other parts of the church) at Our Lady of Lourdes. If you are interested in helping us with your time, talent, and treasure in this rewarding ministry, please contact Christy Welsh at cwelsh@fmhe.org.



### FMHE BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Are you expecting a child or have an infant needing the Sacrament of Baptism? The next Baptismal Preparation Session will be on

Sunday, March 10, at 2:00 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Trinity Hall. If you have any questions or need to RSVP, please contact Erin Dwyer at edwyer@lourdes.org.

#### JOB OPPORTUNITY IN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES

The Family of the Most Holy Eucharist is creating a dynamic atmosphere. As we develop and enhance a new and exciting parish, modified staff needs are being identified.

A new position of Communications Assistant has been created to move the family in a forward-thinking direction. The successful candidate will have a collaborative attitude, solid administrative experience, working



This Full-time position offers a competitive compensation package including very rich benefits at minimal employee cost: medical, dental, life and vision insurance benefits plus a generous employer 40 lk contribution. Paid sick leave and vacation is also included. Salary is commensurate with experience. The complete Job Description can be found on the family website at fmhe.org.

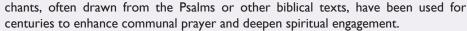
#### TUNING-IN: NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL

MUSIC: Embracing the Sacred Tradition of Antiphons

Dear Parish Family,

As we journey together in faith during the season of Lent, I'm excited to introduce a cherished aspect of Catholic liturgical tradition: the use of Entrance and Communion antiphons.

Antiphons hold a special place in the tapestry of liturgical music, originating from ancient Christian worship practices. These brief



Throughout the history of Christian worship, antiphons have played a vital role in guiding congregations in prayerful reflection and devotion. Incorporating antiphons into the Mass not only enriches our liturgical experience but also fosters a sense of unity within the universal Church as we join together in singing the assigned antiphons for each Sunday Mass.

The Entrance antiphon sets the tone for our worship experience, inviting us to center our hearts and minds on God's presence among us and establishing the theme for the specific Sunday. Similarly, the Communion antiphon, sung during the Eucharist, provides a moment of profound connection with Christ, reminding us of His sacrificial love and unity with His body.

As we embrace the tradition of antiphons, let us recognize their power to inspire, uplift, and unite as a faith community. While our introduction of antiphons coincides with the Lenten season, their relevance extends beyond any specific liturgical period, enriching our liturgical experience year-round.

I'm grateful for your openness to exploring new dimensions of worship and for your participation in our ongoing journey of faith. Together, let us continue to seek God's presence in our midst and allow the timeless chants and texts of antiphons to deepen our spiritual lives.

With gratitude and blessings, David

MASS ATTENDANCE – February 10/11							
MASS		Attendance	Capacity	Empty Seats			
Saturday, February 10	3:30 p.m.	St. Aloysius	370	550	180		
	4:00 p.m.	St. Antoninus	249	840	591		
Sunday, February 11	8:00 a.m.	OLL	N/A	760	N/A		
	9:00 a.m.	St. Martin	388	655	317		
	10:00 a.m.	St. Antoninus	358	840	482		
	I I:00 a.m.	St. Catharine	275	475	200		
		TOTAL		4,120			



#### ATTENTION COMMUNION DISTRIBUTORS TO THE HOMEBOUND

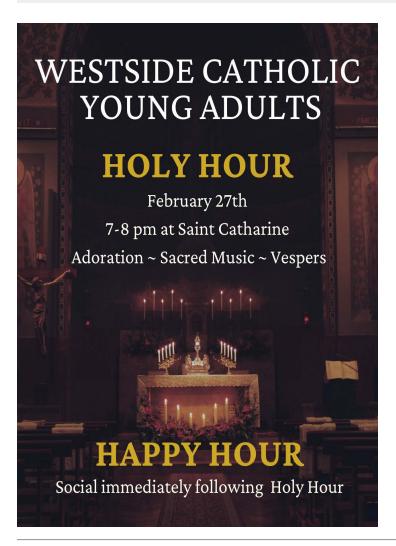
Beginning the Second Sunday of Lent, February 25th, the following procedures will go into effect in order to help our homebound ministry more effectively meet the spiritual needs of our family's homebound:

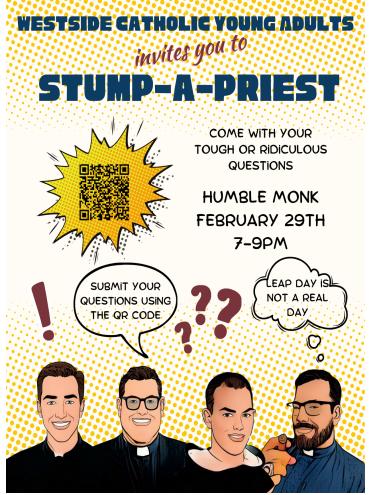
Those who bring Communion to the homebound should fill out an information form so that the Family of Parishes can make a list of Communion distributors and of the homebound. These forms will be available by the doors of church and online beginning February 17. The list of distributors will allow us to know who the Communion distributors are and who receives Communion, so that we can create a family-wide network of Communion distributors and a list of the homebound for priests to visit as well as the lay distributors.

Pyxes for carrying Holy Communion to the homebound and to nursing homes will be filled after Mass, at the tabernacle, until the list of distributors is completed. Every day for two weeks beginning 2/25, the priest will be ready at the tabernacle after Mass to fill pyxes and get to know the Communion distributors.

Thank you for helping us organize this important ministry and connect and serve the homebound!

\*\*A short message from the Liturgy and Worship Director: The ministry of bringing Communion to the homebound is a very important and ancient work of the Church. For a long time, individuals on a personal level have given much time and effort for this priceless task. For too long, this has been done without much recognition or support from the parish. Now, in our parish family, we are working to provide networking, training, and logistical support for this ministry. To that end, we are putting together a family-wide list of those who receive Holy Communion in their homes and those who bring Holy Communion to them. If you currently receive or would like to receive Holy Communion in your home because you legitimately cannot attend Mass, or, if you currently bring Holy Communion to the homebound or would like to begin doing so, please email Christy Welsh at cwelsh@fmhe.org. There will be mandatory formation training for all distributors of Holy Communion in March; please check the bulletin for more details. Thank you to all who have labored with great love in this ministry so far; and for all others, please consider offering your time to serve the Lord and His Church in this important ministry. Please read the bulletin and listen to the announcements at Mass for more specific information about this ministry in the future. Be sure of my prayers, and please continue to pray for me, the parishes, the homebound, and those who minister to them. May God bless you! Father Henry





### SUNDAY COLLECTION FEBRUARY10/11, 2024

 Our Lady of Lourdes
 \$ 7,938.62

 St. Aloysius Gonzaga
 \$ 5,901.01

 St. Antoninus
 \$ 18,495.02

 St. Catharine
 \$ 10,268.15

 St. Martin of Tours
 \$ 7,605.00



### 2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from the parishes that make up the Family of the Most Holy Euchrist, who has supported the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge,

please consider doing so this week. For more information or to donate online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA, or scan the QR code. Thank you!





#### **FISH FRYS**

Please be sure to support our local parishes by attending one (or more) of their Fish Frys. St. Aloysius Gonzaga has a drive-thru on Fridays during Lent from 4:30-7:00 p.m. St. Antoninus will hold their Boy Scout Fish Fry in the church undercroft every Friday during Lent (except for Good Friday) from 5:00-7:00 p.m. St. Catharine will have their Fish Fry in their school cafeteria March I, and March 8 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Menus for all three parishes can be found on the fmhe.org website. Thank you!



#### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN**

Help Save Lives! – Christians throughout the Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky and surrounding areas are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort from Ash Wednesday, February 14 through

Palm Sunday, March 24. In addition to 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America, please consider volunteering to pray outside of the Planned Parenthood abortion facility on Auburn Avenue in Cincinnati for one or more hours during the 40 days, and spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. Learn more at www.40daysforlife.com/cincinnati. Our Lady of Lourdes will be praying at 40 Days for Life on Monday, March 11. Please contact Barb at 513-720-0871 or mellonhs@fuse.net to sign up or get more info.

#### ST. AL'S TENDER MERCIES DINNER

Thanks so much to Debbie Berndsen and Paula Vickery for hosting the February Tender Mercies Dinner again this year. These two friends are always willing to share their delicious food and warm smiles with those in need at Tender Mercies. A special thank-you to all of the St. Al's school children and their families for decorating and filling the Love Boxes again this year for the residents at Tender Mercies. These boxes are filled each year with personal items and treats for the residents. It's become a special February tradition that the residents truly look forward to. Thanks to all who helped with this loving tradition. God's loving work continues.



# Family Mondays Fr. Mick Hall - St. Martin of Tours

We are excited to announce the following topics/speakers for February & March! Dinner starts at 6:00 pm followed by a talk at 6:45 pm.

#### **February**

February 4- Joshua Petroze with the Serenelli Project
February 12- Fr. Henry Hoffman with a Pre-Lenten "Toolbox"
February 26- Fr. Henry Hoffman on the Cardinal Virtues of Temperance & Fortitude

#### March

March 4- Fr. Matt Robben on the Cardinal Virtues of Prudence & Justice
March 11- Fr. Henry Hoffman on Theological Virtue of Faith
March 18- Fr. Matt Robben on Theological Virtue of Hope
March 25- Fr. Henry Hoffman on Theological Virtue of Love

#### FMHE ADULT SOCIAL GROUP LUNCHEON

St Antoninus will host the next Family of the Most Holy Eucharist Adult Social Group Luncheon on MARCH II at noon in the St. Antoninus Undercroft. This month's program is by Dan Thorman, author. Cost for lunch is \$13.00 (new cost). Please have payment to the St. Antoninus Rectory by March 6. For questions/confirmation, call Carole Jones at 513-922-2177.

#### LAY APOSTLES OF THE RETURNING KING PRAYER GROUP

In need of encouragement? Feeling a bit stressed? We would like to invite you to a prayer group called THE LAY APOSTLES OF THE RETURNING KING. It begins on Wednesday, February 21st, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in St. Antoninus Fr. Mick Room (near Greeting room). We are hoping to offer it on the third Wednesday of every month. Come pray the Rosary, hear an encouraging message and go home with more heavenly words of peace and comfort to refresh your soul. Words have the Imprimatur and can be found on the free online library at directionforourtimes. com. Questions? Email: maryannbaverman@gmail.com.

# Walking the Way of Mercy Ignatian Men's Retreat with Fr. Jim Kubicki

Lent is the Season of Mercy, a time to reflect on the need for mercy in our own lives and in the world. Using the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, join us as we focus on how the experience of God's mercy transforms hearts to be more like the Heart of Jesus.

#### DETAILS

LOCATION: Arrupe Retreat House
WHEN: Friday, March 1, 2024 - Sunday, March 3, 2024
COST: \$310 Retreat fee includes private room and all meals during your stay.
To register, go to: https://jesuitspiritualcenter.com/retreats/
To learn more about JSC, go to: jesuitspiritualcenter.com
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Fr. Jim Kubicki was born and raised in Milwaukee and entered the Jesuits in 1971. He was ordained in 1983, serving his community as vocation director and assistant to the provincial for formation and Native American ministry. He worked at the Sioux Spiritual Center, a retreat house for Native people, was the Assistant Director of Demontreville, a Jesuit retreat house, and served as Director of St. Francis Mission on the Rosebud Reservation in western South Dakota. In 2003 Fr. Kubicki became the national director of the Apostleship of Prayer, the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, and traveled around the country giving talks, parish missions, and retreats. He is a regular contributor to the national Catholic media network, Relevant Radio, and appears regularly on various Catholic radio stations. He is author to the award-winning book, A Heart on Fire: Rediscovering Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and A Year of Daily Offerings. Currently, Fr. Kubicki gives retreats, talks, and parish missions around the country while serving as a spiritual director at St. Francis de Sales Seminary in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

### Women's Ignatian Weekend Retreat with Dr. Nicki Verploegen

When: March 8-10, 2024

Where: Arrupe Building at the Jesuit Spiritual Center

Cost: \$310, includes private room & meals during stay

Registration: jesuitspiritualcenter.com/retreats

Dr. Nicki Verploegen is co-founder of TATENDA International, a nonprofit which provides retreats for caregivers in difficult international environments. She received her phD in Spirituality and has published four books. Involved in spirituality work for over 40 years, Nicki has provided support to religious communities including the Jesuits, the Franciscans, the Redemptorists, and Maryknoll Missionaries. She served as a lay overseas missioner with Society of African Mission in West Africa. In addition, she spent time in the Philippines with the Christian Brothers de la Salle, working with laity and brothers on spiritual companionship. Nicki has been leading retreats and providing spiritual direction since 1983, as well as being involved in liturgical ministries in her parish. She participates in social outreach programs and youth work in her local parish.





The 2024 Family of the Most Holy Eucharist Lenten Project

How can you help?

725 Delhi

The Serenelli Project is a Catholic initiative located on the West side that helps previously incarcerated men as they re-enter our community. Through a monastic style of living, participants in the Serenelli Project will learn trade skills and participate in programs like Bridges to Life and Catholics in Recovery.

### **Pray**

Please pray first for the residents. God knows who they will be, but that we may be prepared for them when they arrive. Please also pray to sway the hearts and minds of the city/port so that we might aquire the old Sainta Maria church, rectory, and other buildings for our ministry. Lastly, pray for the spiritual support of the 10 men at Lebanon Correctional facility who are currently preparing for baptism and confirmation.

#### **Time & Talent**

# Give

#### **Treasure**

If you are a skilled professional tradesman, we are looking for HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, and Insulation installers. We also need landscape professionals to help plan and run our community gardens.

We have immediate financial needs as we renovate our building:

\$15,000- drainage pipe repair under foundation

\$17,500- new bathrooms and the installation of a Sacrarium for the chapel.

\$10,000- HVAC

\$2,500- Bridges to Life courses & materials.

Pictured below is our first completed project: The Chapel



FMHE LENTEN PROJECT GOAL: \$45,000 to fund the projects listed above! Can each parish raise \$9K?

Donations can be made through purple, marked envelopes or by stopping at the Parish Offices

www.serenelliproject.org





#### **LADIES TEA**

Join us April 6, 2024 at 12:00 pm for the annual Ladies Tea! We have tables set for 6, including the table captain. Reserve a table for you and your friends! If you are interested in hosting as a table captain, please contact Erin Dwyer at edwyer@ fmhe.org. Table captains will set up their tables with their own fine china. Cost is \$25.00 a person and includes lunch, tea, and an uplifting speaker! We will also have raffle baskets and

delicious desserts. \*\*\*Early bird rate is \$20.00 if registered before March 6th!

#### AROUND THE LENTEN CIRCLE

Meetings began on February 13th, but anyone is welcome to join us to share in walking the Lenten journey together! Reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings to lead us to Christ's journey to the cross, and God giving us the greatest act of love the world has ever known — His only Son dying on a cross for YOU! There will be a handout every week with the upcoming Sunday readings and a few questions to reflect upon. Meetings are in the Tekulve Room at St. Aloysius Gonzaga from 8:45-10:00 a.m. Coffee and pastries will be served. The dates left are February 27, March 5, 12, and 19. Join us for this great Lenten opportunity!

#### 2ND SIGN STUDY GROUP

The Four Signs of the Dynamic Catholic – We will review Matthew Kelly's book which is the origin of our group, 8+ years ago. The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic is one of the great Catholic books of our time, but it is so much more than a book. The ideas and concepts that fill its pages want to change your life and transform your parish as we seek God's will and become a living example of God's love in the world. This discussion leads to goals for the upcoming year and beyond. Join us on March 9th, 9:00-10:30 a.m., in the St. Antoninus Holy Family Room.



### 2024 GATORS FOR A CAUSE CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

March 23, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. – St. Aloysius Gym Join St. Aloysius Athletics for an adults-only night

of fun with all proceeds benefiting Gators families in special need!

Details:

- \$50.00 per team, limited to the first 64 teams.
- Visa/MC accepted at the door!
- Contact Athletics events coordinator Erin Gassett to make your reservation at eegassett 126@gmail.com or 513-659-5374.

#### Additional details:

Two-loss format.

- MUST be 21 or older.
- AMATEURS ONLY, PLEASE!
- Admission includes the tournament fee and two food tickets.
- Top two winners of the tournament will win cash prizes!



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE NEEDS

St. Catharine – We rely solely on donations and could really use your help. Please consider putting a donation in one of the two SVDP containers located in church or through regular church collection in a marked envelope. Please come and



join us if you have the time and want to help your neighbors. Thank you so very much for your help and kindness. May God bless you and your family.

Our Lady of Lourdes – Thank you for your ongoing generosity and stewardship to OLL SVdP Pantry. We continue to need pantry items to stock the shelves and monetary donations to help those in our area stay safe and warm this winter.

**St. Aloysius Gonzaga** – Your generosity means so much and allows us to continue to assist our neighbors in need. Financial help is needed and appreciated at any time.

St. Martin of Tours – St. Martin of Tours St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry would appreciate donations of individual serving packs of cheese and cracker sandwiches and PB and cracker sandwiches, granola bars and individual serving cookie packs. Please place your donations in the bins located at the church doors. We are grateful for your ongoing support of our ministry.

# Prayer Chain

Prayer Requests for St. Martin Prayer Chain Please call Carol at 513-451-8566. If you would like to receive a prayer blanket for someone who is sick or homebound, please call 513-661-2000.

#### St. Aloysius Gonzaga Prayer Line

St. Al's Prayer Line has been in existence for well over 25 years. It is such a source of comfort and peace to those experiencing times of trial, sickness and joy. Phone Pat Schlimm (513-662-7151) with your special requests or if you wish to join in prayer with those who are praying for requested needs. The power of prayer is unbelievable.

### Prayer requests for Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer Chain

Please email Sharon McBreen at sdphoto12@ fuse.net.