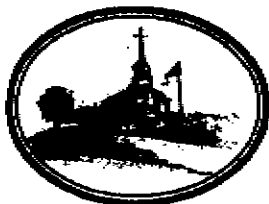


**OUR LADY OF MERCY
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"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF AUG 20, 2017

Saturday, Aug 19	4:30 PM	+Josephine & Tony Bishel by Bob Bishel
Saturday, Aug 19	6:30 PM	+Catherine Neice by Barb Neice (St. Mary)
Sunday, Aug 20	8:30 AM	+Dave Lorentz by Jacquelyn Lorentz & Family
Sunday, Aug 20	11:00 AM	+Jennifer Stewart by Dave & Barb Leyda (St. Mary)
Tuesday, Aug 22	8:30 AM	+William & Christine Batty by Dale Batty
Wed, Aug 23	9:00 AM	+Severine & Sarah Boron by Severine & Alice Boron (St. Mary)
Thursday, Aug 24	8:30 AM	+Fr. Dennis Lyden
Friday, Aug 25	8:30 AM	Special Intention by Anonymous
Saturday, Aug 26	4:30 PM	+George Bair by Bob Bishel
Saturday, Aug 26	6:30 PM	+Jim Neice by Barb Neice (St. Mary)
Sunday, Aug 27	8:30 AM	+Brigitte Lejeune by Fred Lejeune
Sunday, Aug 27	11:00 AM	People of the Parish (St. Mary)

Confessions before Mass

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized, please inform the parish office

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR**

Sun	20	Parish Picnic 1:00 - 5:00 PM at New Church
Mon	21	
Tue	22	
Wed	23	Bible Study 11:00 AM Choir Practice 5:30 PM K of C Directors & Officers 7PM
Thurs	24	
Fri	25	
Sat	26	
Sun	27	

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
Stewardship Week of Aug 13 2017**

Adult \$1364 Loose \$127 Candles \$41
SVDP (2 wks) \$600 Assumption \$508
Bldg. Fund \$1255
LOAN: Balance \$ 340,724 Interest Due 8/23 \$821

ST. MARY

Stewardship Weeks of Aug 13, 2017

Adult \$438 Loose \$133 Candles \$46



OLM & ST. MARY COMBINED PARISH PICNIC - THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH 1:00-5:00 PM at the new church - Hosted by Knights of Columbus. Bring family, friends and a covered dish if you can.

ST. MARY NEWS~ Helping Hands is collecting Acme register receipts dated from 8/10 to 12/20. They will receive 5% of the total for their programs. Please drop them in the collection basket and we will get them to Waynesburg.

CHOIR NEWS~ Choir practice for the music portion of the new church consecration will be every Wednesday at 5:30 here at the church until 9/24. Also, in the pews you will find a music worship aide containing possible songs for the Dedication Mass Sept. 24. The Choir will be singing these before Mass or after Communion between now and Sept. 24. Even during Mass on Sunday, if you see no number on the Board, check the booklet. Please sing along and give us some feedback!

DEDICATION BOOK~ Our Dedication Book is nearing completion. If there is anyone you want to memorialize through your building contributions, please get their names to Janet Smith ASAP at 330-627-2293.

ALTAR SERVER MEETING~ All current altar servers are asked to meet Saturday, Sept. 9th at 10AM.

ROSARY CONGRESS~ The Dioceses has called for three simultaneous Rosary Congresses October 7-13 in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Fatima. They will take place at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption in Marietta, Triumph of the Cross Parish in Steubenville, and St. Joseph Church in Ironton.

ST. JAMES COOKOUT~ St. James School in Waynesburg will hold its 20th Annual Ribs Cookout and Casino Night on Saturday, August 26 in St. James Pavilion. Details and prices are on the bulletin board at the back of the church. For info call Natalie Woodin 330-224-0888 or St. James 866-9449.

DEDICATION MASS~ If there is someone you would like to officially invite to the Dedication, invitations are available at the office. Dedication Mass for the new church is September 24 starting at 3PM. Copies of the Dedication Ritual that will be part of the ceremony are still available.

RCIA INFORMATIONAL CLASSES will begin this fall for anyone desiring to become a Catholic. Please see Fr. Batt or contact the church office.

NEW CHURCH / NEW ADDRESS~ The new church now has a mailbox so you should begin using that address as well as the PO Box for your mailings: 748 Roswell Road, SW, Carrollton, OH 44615 or PO Box 155, Carrollton.

Happy Birthday: (OLM) Ben Pozderac 8/20, Linda DeSimone 8/22, Barbara Dine 8/22, John Pesta 8/25, Paige Folk 8/26, Hannah Lutton 8/27..

(St.Mary) *Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to everyone celebrating in August.*

Happy Anniversary: (OLM) Bob & Diane Wirkner 8/21 (34 yrs), Tom & JC Birong 8/23 (20), Jason & Tammy Sivy 8/26 (11), Merle & Barb Albrecht 8/27 (57).

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Lucille Fiddler, Brenda Sandefur,
Dave Leyda, Richard Otte, Sandy Fiddler, Beth Wolford,
Rose Marie Shine, Marilyn Schaeffer, The Grossi Family
Please pray for all serving in the military and thank them and all who have served our country.

Our Lady of Mercy

Clarence Halter, Jane Gyugo, Naomi Kowal, Erna Graham, Betty Shurtz, Mitchell Lanka, Denny Amelung, Vicki Oboy, Sister Cabrini, Jim Ferda, Cam Lanka, Bill Abrahams, Tina Lewis, Deb Thomas' father, Robert Jones, Theresa Machione, Grace Mahaney, Maye Gaines (S.Sprague's mom), Louise Furbee,

Gary Shears
If you know of someone who is need of prayer,
please call Cam Lanka 330-806-5946.

Calendar

Monday

August 21

St. Pius X,
Pope

Jgs 2:11-19

Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday

August 22

Queenhip of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Jgs 6:11-24a

Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

August 23

Weekday

Jgs 9:6-15

Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

August 24

St. Bartholomew,
Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14

Jn 1:45-51

Friday

August 25

Weekday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22

Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

August 26

Weekday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17

Mt 23:1-12

Sunday

August 27

Twenty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23

Rom 11:33-36

Mt 16:13-20

Dear Padre,

What are the gnostic gospels and apocryphal books?

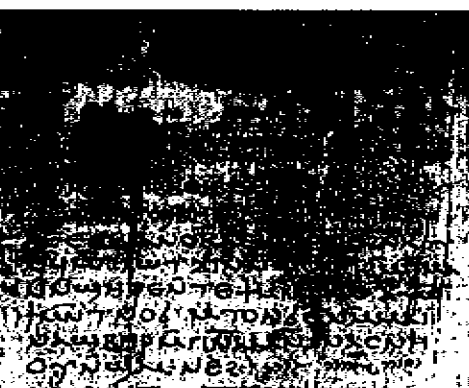
Is it OK to read them?

In the two earliest manuscripts of the Bible, both of which are in the Vatican Library, one contains the seven apocryphal books of the Old Testament and the other does not. The Catholic Church includes these apocryphal books and considers them to be the inspired word of God, as is everything included in Catholic translations of the Bible. Selections from these books are included in our *Lectionary* and proclaimed during Mass.

When Martin Luther left the Catholic Church, he used the Bible manuscript that did not contain the seven apocryphal books, but then he placed these books in a section between the Old and New Testaments, calling them Deuterocanonicals. He did not discard these books entirely but considered them of lesser importance than the other books. Some Protestant translations of the Bible exclude these books altogether.

The gnostic gospels, however, are entirely separate from these apocryphal books. Gnosticism is a heresy condemned by the Catholic Church. As part of their false proclamation, gnostics produced stories of Jesus' life that supported their belief, and these "gospels" contain teachings that are contrary to our Catholic faith. While the gnostic gospels could be read out of interest in their historical or philosophical context, they are not the inspired word of God and should not be read in that light.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Mutual understanding of our [Catholic and Jewish] spiritual heritage, appreciation for what we have in common and respect in matters on which we disagree: all these can help to guide us to a closer relationship, an intention which we put in God's hands. Together, we can make a great contribution to the cause of peace; together, we can bear witness, in this rapidly changing world, to the perennial importance of the divine plan of creation; together, we can firmly oppose every form of anti-Semitism and all other forms of discrimination. May the Lord help us to walk with confidence and strength in his ways."

—Address to the two chief rabbis in Israel on a visit to Heichal Shlomo Center, Jerusalem, May 26, 2014

Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 20, 2017

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 56:1, 6-7

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Mt 15:21-28

A Chosen People, A Common Ancestry

All of today's readings have a common theme: How Jesus' words to his Jewish brothers and sisters influence our faith.

The Catholic Church's relationship with our Jewish brothers and sisters has been strengthened dramatically over the last years. This is thanks in large part to Vatican II's Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions (*Nostra Aetate*), particularly Judaism.

Our deep connection with Judaism is rooted in the fact it was to these Chosen People God offered the Old Covenant. We are also indebted to them because their history and culture formed the lives of the people of God and the Holy Family, from which the early Church sprung.

Christianity's firm belief that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah is the reason our Church is like a

shoot sprung from the root of Jesse. This difference was something Paul's Letter to the Romans dealt with directly—the need for all, both Jews and Gentiles, to accept Jesus.

The key element to this acceptance is the faith shown in the Gospels. Jesus reaches out to his fellow

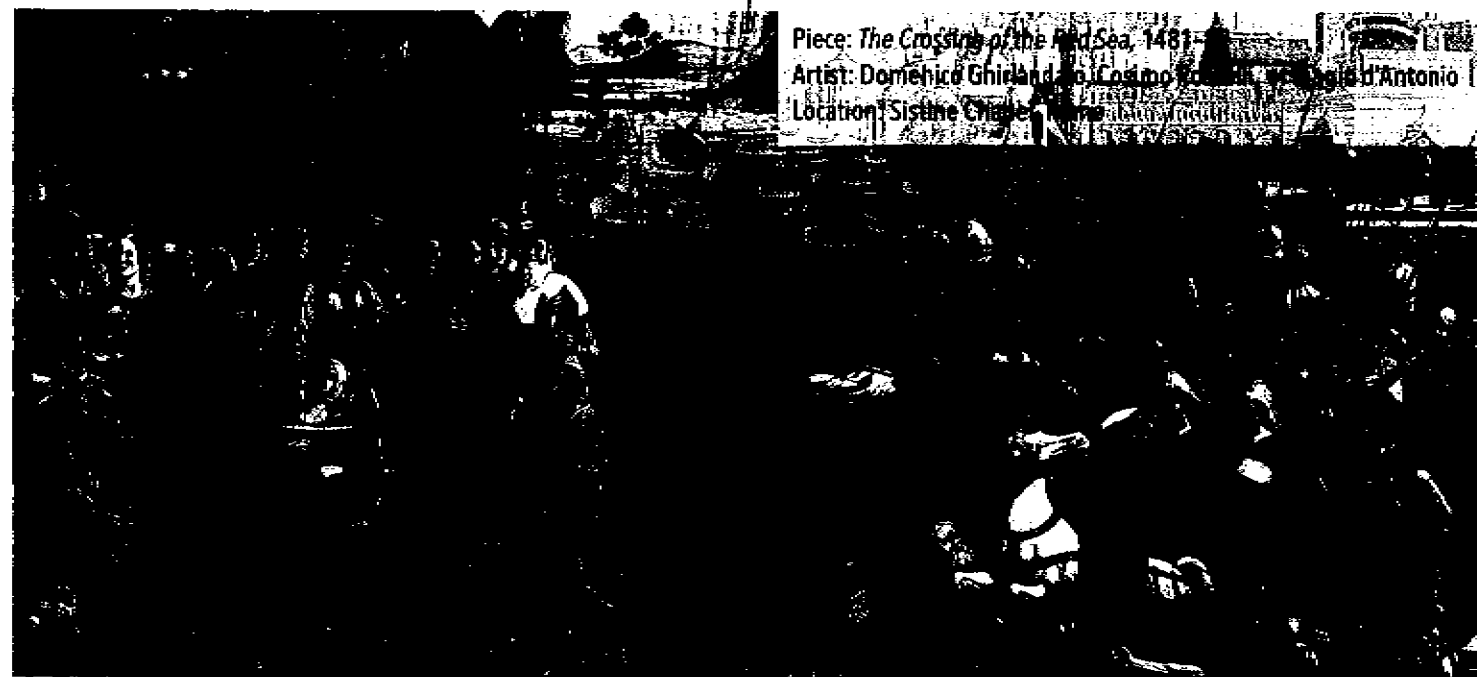
members of the house of Judah yet also recognizes that a Canaanite (Gentile) woman has faith that leads to salvation. This has key implications for both insiders and outsiders: One can no longer claim salvation by a bloodline or nationality but only by one's acceptance of Jesus as the Son of God

and active participation in his body, the Church. Jesus broadens the welcome and opens God's house to all people.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

How can you become more united with your ancestors in faith? How can you strengthen your bond with your brothers and sisters in Christ in your parish community or greater public community?



Piece: *The Crossing of the Red Sea, 1481*
Artist: Domenico Ghirlandaio
Location: Sistine Chapel

"Them I will bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer" (Isaiah 56:7).