HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.

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WEEKEND MASSES

ST. JOHN CHURCH 1405 FIRST AVENUE SATURDAY 4:30 PM SUNDAY 10:30 AM HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 201 CLARK STREET SUNDAY 9:00 AM ADORATION HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MONDAY- FRIDAY 12:30 - 4:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ST. JOHN CHURCH SATURDAY 3:30 PM

Ascension of the Lord

May 13, 2018

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast! ALL LADIES EAT FREE!!

St. John's Undercroft 9:30 AM - Noon



Come and enjoy all-you-can-eat fresh,

homemade pancakes, plus eggs,

sausage, juice and coffee. Adults - \$6 Kids under 12 - \$4 Max - \$25 / family

COMING EVENTS

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VBS Meeting	Mon May 21
Parish Council Meeting	Mon May 21
Memorial Day	Mon May 28

Rejoice and Be Glad

Apostolic Exhortation by Pope Francis

God calls all Christians to be saints – not plastic statues of saints, but real people who make time for prayer and who show loving care for others in the simplest gestures, Pope Francis said in



his new document on holiness. "Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy," the pope wrote in "Gaudete et Exsultate" ("Rejoice and Be Glad"), his apostolic exhortation on "the call to holiness in today's world." To the right is the third of six excerpts from this apostolic letter.

Don't Forget This Thursday, May 17th (It's a VIVBSD!

VERY IMPORTANT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DEADLINE! Miss this registration deadline and chances are that your child won't get their VBS T-Shirt! All the other kids and all the volunteers will be wearing their VBS T-Shirts every day of VBS. If you miss this deadline, we won't know to order a t-shirt for your child! You'll feel bad, we'll feel bad, and your child will be *really, really* disappointed. So do it TODAY! Go to the parish website, print the registration form, fill it out and turn it in to the parish office by this Thursday! PLEASE NOTE: This May 17th t-shirt deadline is also for anyone who is planning on volunteering for VBS this year!

Let us be spurred on by the signs of holiness that the Lord shows us through the humblest members of that people which "shares also in Christ's prophetic office, spreading abroad a living witness to him, especially by means of a life of faith and charity." Holiness is the most attractive face of the Church. But even outside the Catholic Church and in very different contexts, the Holy Spirit raises up "signs of his presence which help Christ's followers." Saint John Paul II reminded us that "the witness to Christ borne even to the shedding of blood has become a common inheritance of Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans and Protestants."

HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - May 12 and 13 4:30 PM Mass SJ Rita Mandzak 9:00 AM Mass HT Paula Burke 10:30 AM Mass SJ Katie Davis

Monday, May 14

12:10 PM Communion Service HT

Tuesday, May 15

8:15 AM Mass J23 Nick & Grace Vitori - Wedding Anniv Rem

Wednesday, May 16

12:10 PM Mass HT Philomena Donisi

Thursday, May 17

- 12:10 PM Mass HT Alan Nori Anniversary Remembrance Friday, May 18
- 8:00 AM Mass HT Tim Dineen
- 12:10 PM Communion Service HT

Saturday, May 19

- 8:00 AM Mass HT Marjorie Ann Herrmann
- 4:30 PM Mass SJ Dorothy Sutter Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, May 20 Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Mass HT Florence Sweeney Anniversary Rem.
- 10:30 AM Mass SJ Louis & Suzanne Rossi

Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, May 6th \$27,737

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

May 19/20	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic	Linda Day 1B	Kathleen Wourms 1B	Dee Golembiewski 1B
Ministers	Paul Presta 2B	Jim Martz 2B	Saundra Pearce 2B
	Ellen Krause 3B	Lorraine Sivy 3B	Susan Henson 3B
	Jennifer James 1C	John Lyons 1C	Christine Whittington 1C
	Marilyn Kowalczyk 2C	Alice Brown 2C	Barb Luksic 2C
	Pat Montgomery 3C	Lee Ann Glick 3C	Joe Zappia 3C
	Frank Pressler 4C	Jeanne Higgins 4C	Cari Hellmann 4C
Lectors	Monica Cummins	Jan Scaglione	Janet Zappia
	Bob Cummins	John Herr	Chris McCarthy
Servers	Nicholas Hill	Bruce Bray	Zachary Paulus
	Claire Cox	Luke Bray	Lily Knaley
Greeters	Franka Cope D1	Lee Ann Glick D1	Nancy Meiser D1
	Ray Barger D1	Mari Lynn Thurber D2	Jennifer Robinson D1

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: Acts 1:15-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17 Tues: Acts 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11a Wed: Acts 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11b-19 Thur: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Jn 17:20-26 Fri: Acts 25:13b-21 / Jn 21:15-19 Sat: Acts 28:16-20,30-31 / Jn 21:20-25 Sun: Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 Jn 20:19-23

In Your Prayers Remember Carolyn Ridge and Pam Disney at Atrium this week.

Welcome Back Fr. Ray Larger! Fr. Ray Larger will be the presider at our celebrations of Mass this weekend.



Mom, Mama, Matka, Mutter Madre, Mana, or Mum... Moms "Whether or not the birth mother, the worth of



nurturing has eternal significance and it can be exercised throughout life" by any person, female or male, blood related or not, who has the following traits and consistently loves the child. A "mom" is patient, flexible, listens, is consistent (a form of security), spends quality time, a teacher, practices what is preached, apologizes when necessary, expresses love frequently and can laugh. "There is no perfect way to be a good mother...each situation is unique. Each mother has difficult challenges, different skills and abilities, and certainly different children. Some mothers are able to be fulltime moms and some may divide their lives into periods of home, family and work. What matters most is that "mothers" are devoted and love their children deeply."

The love of a mother is a deep abyss at the bottom of which you will always find forgiveness.

To all those who exhibit the "spirit of mother," who are in the constant state of self-giving, or simply being present for children, know that you are impacting society for generations to come. Blessings be yours this Mother's Day! *Today's Family/New Life for the Nations/Balzac quote*



St. Vincent de Paul Society

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Thanks to everyone for your continued support and contributions, with which the

SVDP volunteers were able to assist our needy neighbors again this past month. Here are the April numbers:

SVDP Pantry Food Donations

94 Households totaling 272 people

49 senior citizens 143 adults 80 children

SVDP Help Line Utility Bill Assistance

14 households - Duke 23 households - Water SVDP Furniture Ministry

<u>21 homo visito to accord</u>

21 home visits to assess needs

28 deliveries of furniture moved to new homes

13 donations of furniture picked up for new homes

SVDP Prison Ministry

40 Butler County and 30 Middletown City Jail inmates participated in Ministry Sessions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY & CONTINUED SUPPORT! 5TH SUNDAY SVDP COLLECTIONS OCCUR FOUR TIMES A YEAR. OUR NEXT ONE IS JULY 29TH.

For your convenience, we'll included a



special "SVDP 5th Sunday" envelope in the July pack.

Coffee, Juice and Donuts Next Sunday

Coffee, juice and donuts will be served after the 9:00 AM Mass next Sunday. Please join us!



Parish Council Meeting Monday, May 21st

We'll be having a Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 PM on Monday, May 21st in the Holy Trinity Center. Anyone wishing to



share a concern or ask a question is invited to attend. If you can't make it you are welcome to call the parish office 422-0602 beforehand. The Parish Council advises the pastor on issues concerning the parish.

SHIPWRECKED VBS Meeting! Monday, May 21st 6 PM



Holy Trinity Basement Beacon says you don't want to miss this chance to get involved with VBS!

We're looking for high school students in need of a fun service opportunity! Come be a crew leader! If you can't make the meeting, just call the parish office 422-0602 and we'll get you all set up!

Introductions to Readings

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor First Reading - Acts 1:1-11



Today's passage takes us back to the beginning verses of the Acts of the Apostles and sets forth the themes that Luke is going to develop throughout this, the longest book of the New Testament. His major theme is the role of the Holy Spirit, who enables the apostles to be effective witnesses to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is mentioned 57 times in the Acts of the Apostles.

Second Reading - Ephesians 1:17-23

Today's passage from Ephesians was chosen because of its reference to Jesus' ascent to heaven, which is contrasted with his descent to the dead. Early Christians believed that those who died before the coming of Jesus awaited redemption in a shadowy existence described here as the lower regions of the earth. It is our Christian tradition that immediately after his death, Jesus went to these people to announce that they had been saved.

SVDP Outreach Ministry - A Personal Story



April brought a request for assistance from a disabled, 10-year military veteran. He and his 14 year old son recently located here from Massachusetts and plans to remain in the Middletown area. He needed beds, bedding, and a chair and end tables, which we were able to provide. We are still looking for a sofa to deliver to complete his request. He is a very and interested hands-on single father who is involved with keeping his son on track with his school work and therapy, which is needed because his son has no mother in his life. Chris is looking for employment within walking distance of his apartment as he does not own a car. Anyone knowing of a job that needs a hard working, loyal and determined young man, please call the parish office 422-0602.

SVDP Outreach Ministry Need for May - LAMPS

If you can provide lamps - new or used - please drop them off at the parish and we'll pick them up for distribution to our needy neighbors. Thank you!





OUR DOORS ARE OPEN: No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your age, race, background, personal history, etc., no matter what your own self-image – you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at Holy Family Parish. Our doors are open!



Congratulations to Isaac Emmett Burdette, son of Jeffery Burdette & Stephanie Greszler Burdette baptized April 15th.



Congratulations to Hadley Marie Souders, daughter of Andrew Souders & Nora Crase Souders, baptized April 15th.



Congratulations to Isabell Marie Hotze, daughter of Josh Hotze & Katie Copella Hotze & little sis of Aiden and Ava, baptized April 22nd



Congratulations to Henry James McGuire, son of John McGuire & Brooke Tipton McGuire, baptized April 22nd

Mission Appeal Next Weekend

Next weekend Rev. Raju Pilla will be speaking about the works and needs of the



Latin Archdiocese of Trivandrum in India. Trivandrum has about 270,000 Catholics. 90% of the people are traditional fishermen who depend on fishing for their livelihood and 10% are farm workers who are recent converts from low caste Hindus. "Harvest is plentiful but Laborers are few!" Unemployment and poverty are most rampant in this community. The Archdiocese depends on outside assistance to support its clergy, seminarians, Catechists and to continue its developmental programs for the Community. Several coastal villages of the Archdiocese were hit by the 'Ockhi' Cyclone on November 30, 2017. More than 289 young fishermen lost their lives while doing deep sea fishing. There is so much sadness and devastation in their villages. Many young catholic families lost their men and everything they had. We are looking for emergency assistance to help the children especially, with food, and housing. Won't you be as generous as you can in this year's Mission Appeal? Please be sure to use the special yellow

Mission Appeal envelope that was included in the May pack. Your sacrifice for the Missions is very much appreciated and may God bless you. *Rev. Raju Pílla*

Baptismal Preparation Class Wednesday, June 13th 7 PM St. John Rectory



Expecting your first baby or want your first child baptized? We ask that you attend a baptismal preparation class, held quarterly throughout the year. The next class is set for Wednesday, June 13th at 7:00 PM - St. John Rectory. Call the office 422-0602 to register.

Golden Anniversary Mass 2018 Saturday, August 4th 4:30 PM



Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2018 are invited to attend one of the following Golden Anniversary Masses at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, August 4th

<u>Cincinnati</u>: St. Peter in Chains Cathedral with Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr <u>Dayton</u>: Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception

with Bishop Joseph Binzer

Visit the Office for Marriage & Family Life at <u>www.catholiccincinnati.org</u> or call 513-421-3131 ext. 2653 before Friday, June 22nd to register.

Graduating from High School this Year?

Parish families with graduating seniors are invited to send in a photo of their graduate

for a **Special Photo Spread** set for the June 3rd bulletin. Send a digital photo via email to <u>monica@holyfamily</u> <u>middletown.com</u> or bring one by the parish office to be scanned - it only takes a minute. Senior photos or a photograph from the graduation ceremony or with the grad in their cap and gown are appropriate. Please include the name of your graduate plus the high school they attended. **The Graduation Congratulations photo spread deadline is 2 PM Tuesday, May 29th.**

List of Recent 365 Lotto Winners

\$500 - Trokhan, Tari Pawcio

"365 LOTTO" <u>365 Daily Prizes Will Be Annandral</u> 3 \$1,000.00 prizes on Elsére, 4th of July & Christmas 12 \$500.00 prizes on all first Mondays 52 \$100.00 prizes on real Sandays 93 \$400.00 prizes on real Sandays

\$100 - Bibane Wolski, Brian Fisher, The Brenot Family, Jeann Althaus, Rachel McLane, Kathleen Armstrong, Emrick Family
\$40 - Felts
Family, Michelle York, Gary Cooley, Mandy Bealer, Kathy Kurbis, Max Kiep, Alpha Harding, Mike Harding, Mary Kay Keibreich, Clifford Poppel, Karen Harrison, Andrea Bowling, Becky O'Connell, Dee Schwab, Stefanie Hacker, Randy Hunt, Christopher Braddock, Christy Schroeder, Greta Yorn, Annie Yorn, Norman & Antonia Smyth, Debby Tekulve, Jessica Menke, Angie Morian, Julie Rowe, Kate Logan, Robyn Powell, Elizabeth Speranza, Larry Dobrozsi, Judy McMaken, Mike & Rita Schwab, Mary Harding, Dennis Ullery

New BFHS Head Football Coach Mr. Dan Haverkamp & Football Camp



Mr. Haverkamp will also join the faculty in the Math Department. The Football Camp is open to all students who will be entering grades 3 - 8 in the fall. Find details at <u>fenwickfalconssummercamps.com</u>.

St. John XXII Catholic School Pre-K to Grade 8

by Dawn Pickerill / Principal

TRADITIONAL VALUES. EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION.

St. John XXIII represents 150 years of Catholic Education dedicated to encouraging and developing well-rounded, self-confident and compassionate children and young adults who lead successful, mindful, service-driven lives. Our school community is the foundation on which our core principles of faith and hard work bind us together as a family.

If you are interested in a Catholic education that provides a challenging, structured and thoughtful learning environment led by highly qualified and experienced teachers, contact Principal Dawn Pickerill at 424-1196 for a meeting and a tour of the school.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please join us at Gracie's Restaurant on Tuesday, May 22nd to bid farewell to Mrs. Luksic who is retiring from St. John XXIII Catholic School after 40 years! Mrs. Luksic will be acting at the "guest hostess" this evening from 6-8, and long time athletic board member, Ed Dobrozsi, will be our guest bartender. We hope to see many of you there.

OTHER FAREWELLS

This year we also say good-bye to Kindergarten teacher Emily LaPorte who will be leaving us to take a job closer to her home in Cincinnati, Kindergarten teacher Caitlin Stoermer who will be leaving us to stay home with her new baby who is due in November, Spanish teacher Stephanie DelaRosa who will also be staying home with her new baby who is due in September, and junior high social studies teacher Mr. Kauffmann who is moving to Indianapolis due to a job promotion for his wife. While we are sad to be losing such wonderful members of our St. John XXIII family, we are excited for these teachers as they embark on this next chapter of their lives.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the students who attended and participated in last Saturday's St. John XXIII Mass. Everyone did a wonderful job and made us very proud.

Spiritual Motherhood of Priests

As a continued extension of options for parishes to show the support of and promotion for more priestly and religious vocations, the Vocations office



of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is offering a new program to all parishes call Spiritual Motherhood of Priests. Much like efforts to have each of the seminarians spiritually adopted by a parish, this effort encourages women in particular to take on the role of spiritual mothers for the many priests and seminarians who are serving the local Church. **How does it work? It's as easy as 1-2-3!**

- 1) Pick a photo pack from the **Please Take One** box.
- Say a prayer every day for your seminarian or priest. Prayer aids are included in the pack.
- 3) Sign the poster and that's it! No meetings, no rosters and no mailings!

Questions? Please call the Vocations office 513-421-3131 extension 2890.

Caregiver Resource Support Group

Third Tuesday / Month - This Tuesday, May 15th!

The Woodlands of Middletown3000 McGee Avenue6:30 PM

You are a caregiver whether you devote as little as 5 minutes a week or as much as 24 hours a day to providing or supervising the care for



aregiver

a loved one who is disabled, frail, or elderly. Meet others who share your experience to discuss topics such as maintaining balance as a caregiver, solving caregiving problems, the guilt/stress of caregiving, and learning to care for yourself. This group is free and open to the public. Please call the Caregiver CAREline at (513) 869-4483 to register to attend a meeting or visit <u>www.ccswoh.</u> <u>org/caregivers</u> for more information.

Sponsored by the Caregiver Assistance Network, a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio funded through the Council on Aging.

32nd Annual Bible Institute Friday, July 20th - Friday, July 27th Xavier University Campus



DEADLINE FOR MEALS / LODGING TUESDAY, JULY 3RD! "Holy Spirit Power in Unity Through Community!" Brochures can be found at both church doors and at www.presentationministries.com.

When God Created Mothers by Erma Bombeck

When the Good Lord was creating Mothers He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And the Lord said, "Have you read the spec on this order?" 'She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. She has 180 moveable parts all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands.'

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands... no way."

"It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord. "It's the three pairs of eyes that Mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. The Lord nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't, but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, 'I understand and I love you,' without so much as uttering a word."

"Lord," said the angel, touching His sleeve gently, "Go to bed. Tomorrow..."

"I can't," said the Lord, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick, can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger, and can get a 9 year old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a Mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You cannot imagine what this Mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran a finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told you, you were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear." "What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness and pride."

"You are a genius," said the angel.

The Lord looked somber. "I didn't put it there."

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY MOM!

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Baptism Preparation Class - These classes are held quarterly: March, June, September and December. The actual date, time and location will be announced in the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office to register. **Baptisms** - Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Becoming Catholic - Please call the parish office to find out more about the RCIA process.

Bulletin Deadline - Submit announcements in hard copy or to monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com by noon Tuesday.

Hospitalization or Death in the Family - Please notify the pastor as soon as possible by calling the parish office.

Marriages - Couples wishing to be married must set the date with the pastor at least six months in advance.

Nursery - The Nursery is available in the St. John Center during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass.

Parish Religious Education Program - Preschool: Sundays 10:15 - 11:30 AM and K - 8th Grade: Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 PM. **St. John XXIII Catholic School** - Parish school for Preschool - 8th Grade - <u>www.stjohn23school.org</u>.





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