Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES

NOVEMBER 22 2026 | NOVEMBER 29 2026

CHRIST THE KING | 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes accompanies people in becoming disciples of Christ.

PASTOR: Fr. Eric Bowman | **VICAR:** Fr. Jacob Schmiesing
SUNDAY ASSOCIATE: Fr. Joseph Kozar | **DEACONS:** John Carlin, Jim Niswonger



Spend Time with Our Lord in Adoration

"Each one of us is a coworker of Christ – we must labor hard to carry Him to the hearts where He has not yet been known and loved – but, unless we have Jesus, we cannot give Him; that is why we need the Eucharist. Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament, and He will fill you with His strength and His power."

- Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta

SUNDAY MASS

	Vigil	Sunday
SB	3:30 PM	11:00 AM
SM	5:00 PM	9:15 AM
SP	5:00 PM	7:30 AM | 9:30 AM | 11:30 AM
ST		7:30 AM
TR		7:30 AM | 10:00 AM

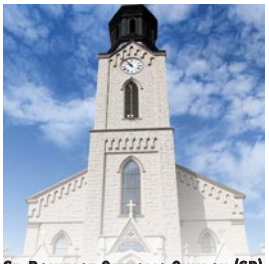
CONFESSION

Monday	SB	11:15-11:45 AM
Tuesday	ST	4:00-5:00 PM
Wednesday	SP	6:00-6:45 PM
Thursday	TR	6:00-6:45 PM
Saturday	SM	9:15-9:45 AM
Saturday	SP	4:00-4:30 PM

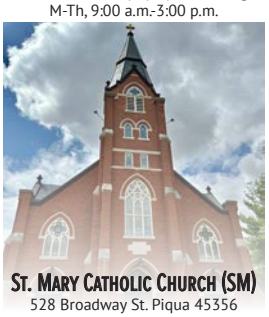
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

SP	Wednesday	8:30 AM-7:00 PM
TR	Thursday	9:00 AM-7:00 PM

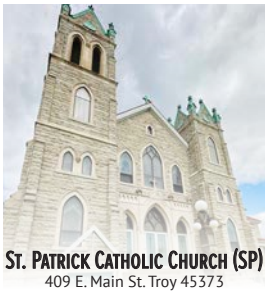
St. Clare Adoration Chapel – *Located behind St. Boniface*
Closed: Thursday, 11:00 PM to 4:00 AM and
Friday, 10:00 PM to Saturday, 6:00 AM. Open all other hours.



St. Boniface Catholic Church (SB)
310 S. Downing St. Piqua 45356
937-773-1656 | piquaparishes.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



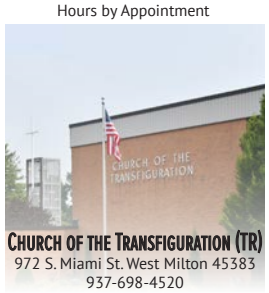
St. Mary Catholic Church (SM)
528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356
937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



St. Patrick Catholic Church (SP)
409 E. Main St. Troy 45373
937-335-2833 | stpattroy.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus (ST)
6925 W. US Rt. 36 Covington 45318
937-473-2970 | stteresacovington.org
Hours by Appointment



Church of the Transfiguration (TR)
972 S. Miami St. West Milton 45383
937-698-4520
transfigurationcatholicchurch.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes (OLF)! If you are visiting or new to the area, we are a faith-filled Catholic community that is comprised of five Roman Catholic churches, two Catholic schools and a beautiful spiritual center within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (NW-6 region). We accompany people in becoming disciples of Christ.

On behalf of pastor Fr. Eric Bowman, our clergy, staff and parishioners, you are invited to grow in your faith and even closer to Jesus alongside of us. Find resources, ways to get involved in parish life and times and places of worship within the bulletin. Follow "Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes – Ohio" on Facebook to connect further.

To register for a church, or if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, we are here to support you – contact a church office to be welcomed.

A new bulletin will not be printed for 11/29.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OFFICE!

PARISHIONER CONTACT INFO: Be sure to keep your address, phone number and e-mail up-to-date with your registered church, so you don't miss important things.

BAPTISM – *Congrats, New Parents!* Class is required, by appointment. Prior to Baptizing your child, register for your Baptism Class: pat@fatima-family.org | 937-335-2833. OLF Baptism Classes are held at St. Patrick Parish Center (white building behind the school), upstairs Room 3.

MATRIMONY: Schedule at least nine months in advance. Preparation program and parish registration is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Those weakened by age, afflicted by serious illness or preparing for serious surgery should receive this sacrament.

HOMEBOUND: Extraordinary Ministers can be arranged to visit homes and nursing facilities with the Eucharist for those unable to worship on Sundays.

SAFEPARISH: In order to serve as a volunteer with children within Our Lady of Fatima, you must be Archdiocesan-compliant and registered with the SafeParish program.

RESOURCES

Find great content and wholesome Catholic programs, movies, books and resources, at "FORMED!" This online resource is a gift to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' parishioners. Please take advantage of it! Visit stpattroy.formed.org. Simply enter "St. Patrick, Troy, OH," your name and e-mail. Everyone can use it!

FIND WEEKEND MASS & PRIEST SCHEDULES ON OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCHES' WEBSITES.

Troy and Piqua parishioners can FIND BONUS BULLETIN CONTENT from outside of our family of parishes by visiting www.transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/sunday-bulletins and scrolling to the final page!

Our Lady of Fatima's church offices will be closed on November 26 and 27 to celebrate Thanksgiving.



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION

DECEMBER 2026

For single-parent families

Let us pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.

Our Father / Hail Mary / Glory Be

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Discipleship Maker Index Fall '26

TAKE THE DISCIPLESHIP MAKER INDEX (DMI)!

You might recall from three years ago, the DMI is a 95-question survey tool that supports Church ministry with objective data, helping Her leaders recognize their potential and envision future possibilities through a deep analysis of attitude and belief, participation, relationship/satisfaction, and demographics. Your participation will not only help provide your pastor and parish leaders with a better understanding of where to focus efforts and energies to help you grow in your faith and achieve the parish's mission, but the responses will also be included in the listening process for Synod 2027. Archbishop Casey, the Synod Preparatory Commission and Secretariat will review and contemplate the input received from the Disciple Maker Index as they discern the primary themes or questions that will be considered at the Synod General Assembly in fall 2027. Open your phone camera – Aim it toward the QR code – Click the link. Search for your parish name.



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Andy Dahlinghaus	Last Week in
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Nancy Sacher Desch & Agnus Sacher	Ordinary Time St. Clement I, Pope
12:10 p.m.	St. Boniface	†Vernon Quinter	and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Lk 21:1-4
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Bob Rohlfs	St. Andrew Dung-Lac,
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	†JoAnn Lyons	Priest, and Companions,
12:00 p.m.	Transfiguration	Catherine & Michelle Serey	Martyrs Rv 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†The Towey Family	St. Catherine of
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	**†Purgatorian Mass:** James Steele	Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Mary Koon	Rv 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26			
9:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	Living & Deceased Members of the Hoening Family	Thanksgiving Day Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a
9:00 a.m.	St. Patrick	Living and Deceased of the Doogan Family	Lk 21:20-28
9:00 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Alvina DeMange	
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Dee Collins	Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Living & Deceased of the Robert & Darlene Jones Family	Lk 21:29-33
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Ethan Elshoff	
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28			
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Tim Hatcher	Rv 22:1-7
3:30 p.m.	St. Boniface	†Rachelle Cordonnier	Lk 21:34-36
5:00 p.m.	St. Patrick	Lauren Dexter	
5:00 p.m.	St. Mary	†Val Decker	
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29			
7:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Tom Sekas	First Sunday of Advent
7:30 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Madonna McCarthy	Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7
7:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	**†Purgatorian Mass:** Stan & Barb Hindmarch	1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37
9:15 a.m.	St. Mary	†Boyd Ulbrich	
9:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Joseph Jutte	
10:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Bob Menker	
11:00 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Kimberly Murray	
11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Gary & Ursula Pierron	

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Richard Platfoot & Family	St. Andrew, Apostle
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Members of the DeLong Family	Rom 10:9-18
12:10 p.m.	St. Boniface	†Vernon Quinter	Mt 4:18-22
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Chris Smoke	Is 11:1-10
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Shawn Saunders	Lk 10:21-24
12:00 p.m.	Transfiguration	The Houser & Harter Families	
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Dan Bowman	Is 25:6-10a
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	**†Purgatorian Mass:** Alfred & Clara Daum	Mt 15:29-37
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Paul Bates	
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3			
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	For the Sick & Dying	St. Francis Xavier,
8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Dave Cartwright	Priest
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Sister Catherine Kroeger, C.PP.S.	Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4			
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Eva Dexter	St. John Damascene,
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Priest and Doctor of
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Philip Schneider	the Church Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5			
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Irene Vavroch	Is 30:19-21, 23-26
3:30 p.m.	St. Boniface **$**	†Fr. Angelo Caserta	Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6-8
5:00 p.m.	St. Patrick	**Living & Deceased of OLF**	
5:00 p.m.	St. Mary	†Tom Eilerman	
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6			
7:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	In Memory of the Colavecchio & Moretti Families	Second Sunday of Advent
7:30 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Ruby Monnier	Is 40:1-5, 9-11
7:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	**†Purgatorian Mass:** Roxanna Meyer, Connie Cain, Leonard Peltier	2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8
9:15 a.m.	St. Mary	†Carl Voisinet	
9:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Tony Nagel	
10:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Brooks Barnes	
11:00 a.m.	St. Boniface **$**	†James Hartzell	
11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Jill Huelskamp	

$ = Second Collection = Captial Maintenance † = In Memoriam
* = Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass
All weekday and Sunday Masses are streamed at
Transfiguration: transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot.

OLF ADVENT EXTENDED CONFESSION

CHURCH	CITY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
St. Patrick	**Troy**			**5:00-6:45 P.M.***			**4:00-4:30 P.M.**
Transfiguration	**West Milton**				**5:00-6:45 P.M.***		
St. Boniface	**Piqua**	**11:15-11:45 A.M.**					
St. Mary	**Piqua**						**9:15 A.M.**
St. Teresa	**Covington**		**4:00-5:00 P.M.**				

*** All-day Adoration, with Benediction to follow Confession.**

FR. ERIC BOWMAN RAMBLINGS

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO MY SONS AND DAUGHTERS!

The Thanksgiving and Christmas season brings such wonderful memories of past celebrations and ushers in hope of future celebrations. I recently showed home videos to my nieces and nephews, and one of them was of a special Thanksgiving at our house. My dad's side of the family made the trip from Zanesville and Cleveland to our Springfield home, because my father had been in a terrible accident that nearly took his life. The memories of grandpa playing catcher for our family softball game, our garage being cleaned and turned into a dining room to have enough space for us all to eat, and my extended family all gathered together still fills me with such a grateful heart.

A Prayer of Gratitude:

"Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on my life. You have provided me with more than I could ever have imagined. You have surrounded me with people who always look out for me. You have given me family and friends who bless me every day with kind words and actions. They lift me up in ways that keep my eyes focused on you and make my spirit soar. Also, thank you, Lord, for keeping me safe. You protect me from those things that seem to haunt others. You help me make better choices and provide me with advisors to help me with life's difficult decisions. You speak to me in so many ways so that I always know you are here. And Lord, I am so grateful for keeping those around me safe and loved. I hope that you provide me with the ability and sense to show them every day how much they matter. I hope that you give me the ability to give to them the same kindness they have provided to me. I am extremely grateful for all of your blessings in my life, Lord. I pray that you remind me of just how blessed I am and that you never allow me to forget to show my gratitude in prayer and return acts of kindness (by Kelli Mahoney)."

Advent: A Season of Patiently Waiting: Waiting - Few of us like to do it. What is more, in a world of instant communication, fast food and easy intercontinental travel, most of us don't have to wait for much. Of course, in some areas of life, indeed, perhaps the most important areas, waiting obstinately remains a critical part of our experience – we wait for test results; we wait for our loved ones to come home from school or the battlefield; we wait for the birth of a child.

This side of the veil, that is, here on earth, waiting remains one of the fundamental actions of the believer. In their captivity and exile, the Jewish people waited for the coming of the Messiah. And, in the fullness of time, He did come in the Person of Jesus Christ, true God and true man. And now, like the Hebrews did of old, we Christians wait for the triumphant return of the King. In the words spoken at every Holy Mass, "We wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ." With the eyes of faith, we know that Jesus Christ has encountered His Passion and death and has been raised from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father. But Christ will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Every Christian is called to wait for that inevitable, final day; to wait and to be ready by living lives of prayerful love and mercy.

But it is not only judgment day that we wait for as Christians. We wait for the coming of God today, as we offer our desperate prayers to our Father who can indeed seem so very distant. The beautiful, haunting words of the "O antiphons," sung by the Church in the final days of Advent, echo the drama of waiting that is the Christian's state.

O Wisdom, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong yet tender care. Come and show your people the way to salvation…

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death…

O Emmanuel, king and lawgiver, desire of the nations, Savior of all people, come and set us free, Lord our God…

Even as we acknowledge the goodness and paternal love of God, we plead with Him to hear our prayer, to touch the lives of those we care about, and to bring about that healing and peace in the world that only the True and Living God can effect. The supremely hopeful message of Advent and Christmas is that the God we call out to in prayer does hear us, He does care for us, and He will save us.

Advent is a time of quiet, of reflection, and of prayerful meditation on the promises of God, not the least of which is His triumphant return at the end of time. But it is also a time to reflect on the fidelity of God, and the blessed assurance that has been given to those who persevere in the ways of love, an assurance that is rooted in the tender love of God for His people. "Zion said, 'The Lord has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me.' Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you. See upon the palms of my hands I have written your name…" (Isaiah 49:14-16)

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FINANCIAL SUMMARY

OCTOBER 2026 OFFERINGS	ST. BONIFACE	ST. MARY	ST. PATRICK*	ST. TERESA	TRANSFIGURATION
Monthly Offerings Actual	$27,101	$40,928	$55,603	$8,111	$19,390
Monthly Offerings Anticipated	$33,462	$46,154	$59,615	$6,551	$25,385
Monthly Over (Under) Anticipated	**($6,361)**	**($5,226)**	**($4,012)**	**$1,560**	**($5,995)**

* St. Patrick maintains a separate account to track "Christmas/Easter" offerings. Their numbers shown above are strictly normal weekly offerings. The other churches include their Christmas/Easter in "Monthly Offerings" above. All "Actuals" are based on Sundays in the month.

If inclement weather should impact an OLF-scheduled event, please check the OLF Facebook page for a change or cancellation notice.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

There will be no Confession at St. Teresa on Tuesday, December 8.
Please plan to attend Mass on this Holy Day of Obligation for the
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary!

You're invited to a ***Cookies & Punch Social*** after the 7:00 PM Holy Day Mass at St. Patrick in the church undercroft on December 8 to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patroness of the United States! Stop by after Mass for a few minutes to celebrate this great feast.

OLF HOLY DAY MASS TIMES

Transfiguration	Monday, December 7	7:00 PM
Transfiguration	Tuesday, December 8	8:30 AM
St. Patrick	Tuesday, December 8	7:00 AM
St. Patrick	Tuesday, December 8	8:30 AM
St. Patrick	Tuesday, December 8	7:00 PM*
St. Boniface	Monday, December 7	7:00 PM
St. Boniface	Tuesday, December 8	12:10 PM
St. Mary	Tuesday, December 8	8:30 AM
St. Mary	Tuesday, December 8	7:00 PM
St. Teresa	Tuesday, December 8	7:00 PM

Meet the Staff
Gina Gordon

Gina Gordon is Our Lady of Fatima's Pastoral Services Assistant. She shares her gifts and administrative skills with the Church, and provides support to Natalie Rohlfs and the ministry and office management team. Her primary office is at St. Patrick. She grew up in Miami County, and, as a child, she attended Sacred Heart in New Carlisle. Intermixed with her administrative background, Gina graduated Urbana University with a BS in Biology, where she met her husband, Trent, of 12 years! They have five children with one on the way!

"I love how active our churches are! There is always something going on or something to participate in. We have been members of St. Patrick for four years, and I sing in the adult choir and the OLF Schola."

Currently, St. Monica is my favorite saint because she is proof of what the strong faith of a wife and mother can do.



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Meet the Staff
Paula Kern

Paula Kern is Our Lady of Fatima's Director of Music Ministry! She will primarily accompany Masses at St. Boniface, St. Patrick and St. Mary in rotation with SeungKeun Oh. Paula also provide Fr. Eric and the staff and clergy with liturgical support. The music offices will be in St. Patrick and St. Boniface.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunity to focus on my music again, and working on music and liturgy with Fr. Eric and this pastoral and ministry team!"

She has served in the Archdiocese for more than 35 years, directing numerous choirs and sharing her love of music and liturgy in area Catholic churches. She feels blessed that her journey has led her to the Our Lady of Fatima family. Her hope is to inspire others to lift their voices, make music, and praise God through the gift of worship and song. She believes music has the power to touch hearts, strengthen faith, and bring people closer to God. A favorite quote of hers: "It doesn't matter what brings you; it's what you leave with that matters." (unknown author) "When I look back on my life and see things that I prayed for come to fruition, I see that it is not in my time, but God's time."

"Be still and know that I am God."
Psalm 46:10



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OLF MINISTRIES

CATHOLIC LOVE IN ACTION

2026 Our Lady of Fatima Holiday Charitable Outreach

Canned Foods & Donations

"Helping Hands" | Transfiguration | Due 12/16
Donation Goal: 100 boxes of cereal! Place items in the church entrance container.

Canned Goods | OLF Youth Ministry | Due 12/13
OLF Youth Ministry DISCIPLESHIP teens are individually collecting non-perishable food & paper products for residents in need! Parishioners welcome to bring donations to church office to help their service project!

Bethany Center Drive | OLF | Due 12/21
Bring these items to bins in St. Mary & St. Boniface: Hand warmers/gloves, NEW toys, canned goods & paper products!

Miami County Right to Life | Due 12/6
Drop diapers or new/gently used maternity or baby/toddler clothing to the box behind MCRL, 305 E. Main St.

St. Vincent de Paul | Funds appreciated!
Your funds to support Troy residents in need of rent & utilities especially during the cold months is wonderful. Checks: "St. Vincent de Paul," 409 E. Main St., Troy

Box of Joy
Thank you to parishioners who filled a Box of Joy for children in impoverished countries to help reach a 300-box goal!

Giving Trees

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH | DUE 12/6
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH | DUE 12/6
ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH | DUE 12/13
ST. TERESA OF THE INFANT JESUS | DUE 12/13
CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION | DUE 12/21

Catholic Schools

"Blessing Boxes" | OLF Catholic Schools | Due 12/13
Sponsored by UD's "ECHO" program that provides school counselors to our Catholic schools, our Peacemaker St. Patrick/Piqua Catholic students collect items to fill Blessing Boxes for families in need.

Coats/Winter Gear | Lehman Catholic School | Due 12/1
Students in the Teen Leadership Corps are collecting coats, hats & gloves to donate to Catholic Social Services.

Coats/Winter Gear | Piqua Catholic School | Due 11/20
Students are collecting coats, hats & gloves to donate to Bethany Center in Piqua.

Toy Drive | Lehman Catholic School | Due 12/11
Students in the Teen Leadership Corps are collecting toys to deliver to local hospital & animal shelter.

Toy Drive | Piqua Catholic School | Due 12/2
Students are collecting new & gently used toys from school families & deliver them to the Bethany Center in Piqua.

Aluminum Can Drive | Piqua Catholic School | Due 12/4
Students are collecting aluminum cans for the "Water for South Sudan" Project.

CATHOLIC LOVE IN ACTION
AN OUR LADY OF FATIMA MINISTRY

ADDENDUM:

- **F.I.S.H. Union Township** is in need of toilet paper, and personal care products such as bars of soap, deodorant, toothpaste, etc. Your donation can be dropped off in the F.I.S.H. container in the Church of the Transfiguration narthex.
- Transfiguration received $75.80 from the aluminum can drive. That's a lot of cans, thank you!
- Please remember to return your **IGA receipts** to help Church of the Transfiguration receive a rebate for 2026! This will be submitted in early January 2027.
- Please drop food donations to the First Place Food Pantry at 100 Wayne Street, Stouder Center, Troy.
- Charitable gifts can be mailed to PO Box 81, Troy, OH 45373. Thank you! www.troyfoodpantry.org

ADULT FAITH FORMATION





OCIA Sunday, November 8, was the first rite in the Our Lady of Fatima OCIA process, held at St. Boniface. It was the Rite of Welcoming and Introduction, also called the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and of the Rite of Welcoming for baptized but previously uncatechized persons. This was the first opportunity for our church community to see and welcome the catechumens and catechists who are preparing for entry into the Church. It was a beautiful ceremony and Mass celebrated by Fr. Schmiesing.



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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

PHILIA (OLF Young Adult Ministry) will host a Cookies & Punch Social after the 7:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass at St. Patrick in the church undercroft on December 8 to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patroness of the United States! Please stop by after Mass that evening for a few minutes to celebrate this great feast. If you are a young adult and want to help, please e-mail frschmiesing@fatima-family.org or see the PHILIA GroupMe for more info!

PHILIA (Young Adult) Volleyball on December 3 & 17 at the St. Patrick Parish Center from 7:00-9:00 p.m. See the GroupMe or email Fr. Schmiesing for more info.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP

There is no meeting on 11/29/26. The next fun and fellowship Youth Group will be **12/6/26!**
Happy Thanksgiving!

DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday, 11/22/26, 6:30-8 PM at St. Patrick.
For Pre-Registered Teens.

PARENTS/PARISHIONERS, your prayers for the students and Core Team of mentors in this growing ministry is greatly appreciated! If you feel compelled to make a monetary gift for OLF Youth Ministry, that would graciously be accepted, too. Check payable to "Church of the Transfiguration," memo: OLF Youth Ministry. Return to any OLF church.

DOWNLOAD THE REMIND APP FOR INFO!

Youth Ministry PARENTS | Remind App Code = @ba389ek
Youth Ministry TEENS | Remind AppCode = @79adck6
DISCIPLESHIP Enrolled Families | Remind App Code = @78decd3
7th and 8th Grade CCD Parents | Remind App Code = @74bgg6

OLF CURRENT EVENTS



The St. Teresa Christmas Bazaar Committee would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to all of those who contributed to making the annual Christmas Bazaar and new Silent Auction a success!

We are grateful to all the workers and volunteers, our vendors and those who generously donated quilts, gift baskets and baked goods. We also sincerely thank our patrons who purchased raffle tickets, shopped with our vendors, and participated in the Silent Auction quilt bidding!

Your generosity, support and participation helped make this a very successful bazaar. We truly appreciate all of those who played a part in making the event so wonderful! Thank you for your continued support!

St. Teresa Christmas Bazaar Committee,
Deb W., Evelyn M., Jean C., Joanne M., Kathy B., Marty S., Mary H., Rita M.







OLF CURRENT EVENTS

VISIT THE TRANSFIGURATION CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL!



SEE BEAUTIFUL NATIVITY SCENES ON DISPLAY
November 30-December 31,
Monday-Friday,
9:00 AM-5:00 PM

The Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal is seeking volunteers to cover 2-3 hour shifts during the month of December for our daily Nativities display. We need to have volunteers present to greet visitors seeking to look at the Creches. Please call 937-698-7180 if you would like to volunteer!
Thank you for your service!

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal
3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls
Friday, December 4 | 9:30 a.m. - Noon

St. Clara Ladies Gathering

The St. Clara Ladies Christmas Dinner will be December 3, at 3Joes Pizzeria & Trattoria, 6:00 p.m. Hope to see you there! RSVP to Bonne Decknadel by December 1.

ONE IN CHRIST, *United in Mission*
100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Parishioners: Turn in your blue raffle tickets and/or consider becoming a "Friend of the Mission Group" with a donation of $100 by Sunday November 29! The $500 drawing will be held on Monday, November 30. Thank you for your continued support!

SCHOOLS



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Kindergarten-8th Grade Parents & Students:
OLF-Area Knights of Columbus' "Keep Christ In Christmas" Poster Contest is underway!
Completed posters need to be submitted by Wednesday, 12/2. Return your poster to Piqua Catholic or St. Patrick Schools, your CCD class, or at the entry way of at an OLF church. Additional entry forms, instructions and poster boards are available at church entrances. Contact the Knights of Columbus Councils listed in your church bulletin with any questions.



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NEWLY BAPTIZED *Congratulations to:*

Jackson Beckett, son of Matthew & Julia Brandewie (SM)
Zoe Grace, daughter of MacKenzie Franklin (SM)

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NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes!

Karen Britain (SP)
Fernando Pascual & Maria Eugenia Sanguinetti & children: Santiago, Joaquin & Benjamin (SP)

CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks for your support & congrats!

SP Weekly Raffle Winner 11/16	Mary Ann Bellas
SP Weekly Raffle Winner 11/23	Dennis Hoying
SP Monthly Raffle Winner - November	*Winner Coming Soon!*
$10-a-Month Club Raffle - November	*Winner Coming Soon!*
Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 11/16-20	Barb Ulbrich, John DeBlase, Karen Wendeln, Barb Caserta, Heather Mangen
Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 11/23-/27	Rita DeBrosse, John & Linda Lange, Mark Fierce, Victoria Pierson, Cathy Palmer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. BONIFACE

3:30 p.m.	**Saturday, November 28**	**Saturday, December 5**
Altar Servers	M. Perry, G. Peterson, M. Peterson	D. Johnston, R. Henry, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Herbe, K. Roth, J. Ventura, L. Ventura, Volunteer	K. Warner, R. Webb, Volunteer, J. Herbe, Volunteer
Lectors	T. Sharp, R. Webb	J. Ventura, R. Curtis
Sacristan	Volunteer	L. Ventura
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, P. Penny, P. Wendel, T. Sharp	C. Peltier, P. Penny, P Wendel, T. Sharp
11:00 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	H. Karn, I. Karn, L. Knapke	B. Johns, K. Johns, H. Kreitzer
Extraordinary Ministers	L. Stotler, A. Woehrmyer, ME Buechter, Volunteer	T. Burnside, B. Decknadel, D. Decknadel, K. Earhart
Lectors	T. Burnside, A. Evans	M. Garman, D. Decknadel
Sacristan	D. Decknadel	ME Buechter
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, J. Knapke, M. Cool	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, J. Knapke, M. Cool

ST. MARY

5:00 p.m.	**Saturday, November 28**	**Saturday, December 5**
Altar Servers	B. Johns, K. Johns, D. Richard	M. Osborne, M. Perry, M. Bell, Jr.
Extraordinary Ministers	A. Koehl, B. Kohl, A. Manson, J. Mikolajewski	C. Nagengast, C. Oda, K. Wendeln, J. Bell
Lectors	B. Hewitt, V. Karn	A. Manson, E. Merrifield
Sacristan	A. Epperly	R. Holtvogt
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, J. Hemmert, Volunteer	R. Ventura, P. Larger, J. Hemmert, Volunteer
9:15 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	N. Bates, P. Bates, A. Fox	S. Galbreath, W. Galbreath, E. Hess
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Foster, M. Foster, R. Foster, Sister Mary Alice	B. Karpinski, M. Koon, K. Lee, K. Magill
Lectors	J. Terry, R. O'Leary	T. Anderson, C. Buecker
Sacristan	G. Stonerock	A. Cecil
Ushers/Greeters	Volunteer, D. Francony, G. Peltier, J. Peltier	Volunteer, D. Francony, G. Peltier, J. Peltier

ST. TERESA

7:30 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Server	J. Kuether	Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Clark, Volunteer	E. Clark, Volunteer
Lector	J. Swabb	D. Otte
Ushers	T. Kuether, C. Wehner	A. Otte, J. Walter

ST. PATRICK

5:00 p.m.	**Saturday, November 28**	**Saturday, December 5**
Altar Servers	C. Pannapara, W. Rippey	S. Kolakowski, B. Williams
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Purpus, Dcn. John, M. Purpus	K. Clark, K. Shanesy, T. Muir
Lector	V. Pannapara	S. Knight
Sacristan	T. Pannapara	K. Shanesy
7:30 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	L. Gudorf, O. Gudorf	T. Behm, W. Behm
Extraordinary Ministers	T. Jent, K. Jent, A. McDonough	P. Menker, B. Groff, Volunteer
Lector	J. Gudorf	K. Kremer
Sacristan	S. Gudorf	L. Menker
9:30 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	O. Poeppelman, C. Via, N. Via	T. Custer, W. Custer, A. Knapke
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Bockey, P. Smith, H. Spaide, A. Thomas, M. Via	M. Custer, T. Canavan, S. Gudorf, M. Via, Volunteer
Lector	K. Vendryes	K. Lins
Sacristan	A. Dexter	M. Henry
11:30 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	K. liames, C. Johnson	S. Goubeaux, F. Goubeaux
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Wolfe, J. liames Volunteer	B. Purpus, D. Wolfe, Volunteer
Lector	C. Rohlfs	M. Purpus
Sacristan	D. Wolfe	D. Wolfe

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

7:30 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	X. Hummel, L. Hummel, T. Hummel	M. Desch, D. Boeckman, H. Boeckman
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Williams, C. Hummel, M. Desch	R. Dzendzel, V. Daum, Volunteer
Lector	T. Sollenberger	G. Mergler
Sacristan	R. Gallegos	R. Dzendzel
Ushers	N. Craport, B. Hoffman, Volunteers	A. Brown, D. Brown, W. Beaver, Volunteer
10:00 a.m.	**Sunday, November 29**	**Sunday, December 6**
Altar Servers	O. Sanders, D. Harrison, F. Harrison	O. Sanders, D. Harrison, F. Harrison
Extraordinary Ministers	W. Dexter, L. McCartan, Volunteer	M. Schubert, L. McCartan, B. Karch
Lectors	J. Volk, G. Dexter	Michael & Maria Olenchuk
Sacristan	R. Gallegos	R. Dzendzel
Ushers	S. Barge, E. Barga, C. August, L. Manson	R. Winkler, C. August. S. Barga, E. Barga

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If you want to support our pantry in this program before December 12, write a check made out to: FISH-Union Township, memo: Meijer Simply Give. Mail to: P.O. Box 2, West Milton, OH 45383.

Any excess over $5,000 will support our general fund. **Thanks!**

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DAYTON CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Save the Date! Christmas Boutique & Luncheon

Get into the holiday spirit at the Dayton Catholic Women's Club Annual Christmas Boutique and Luncheon!

Saturday, December 5, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Presidential Banquet Center

Enjoy a festive day of holiday shopping, chance-basket raffles, cash-prize raffles, and a 50/50 raffle! The boutique is open to the public, so bring your friends and start your Christmas shopping while supporting a great cause. Help Make Christmas Brighter! We will be collecting diapers, toddler pull-ups, and other children's essentials for Hannah's Treasure Chest.

Luncheon Details

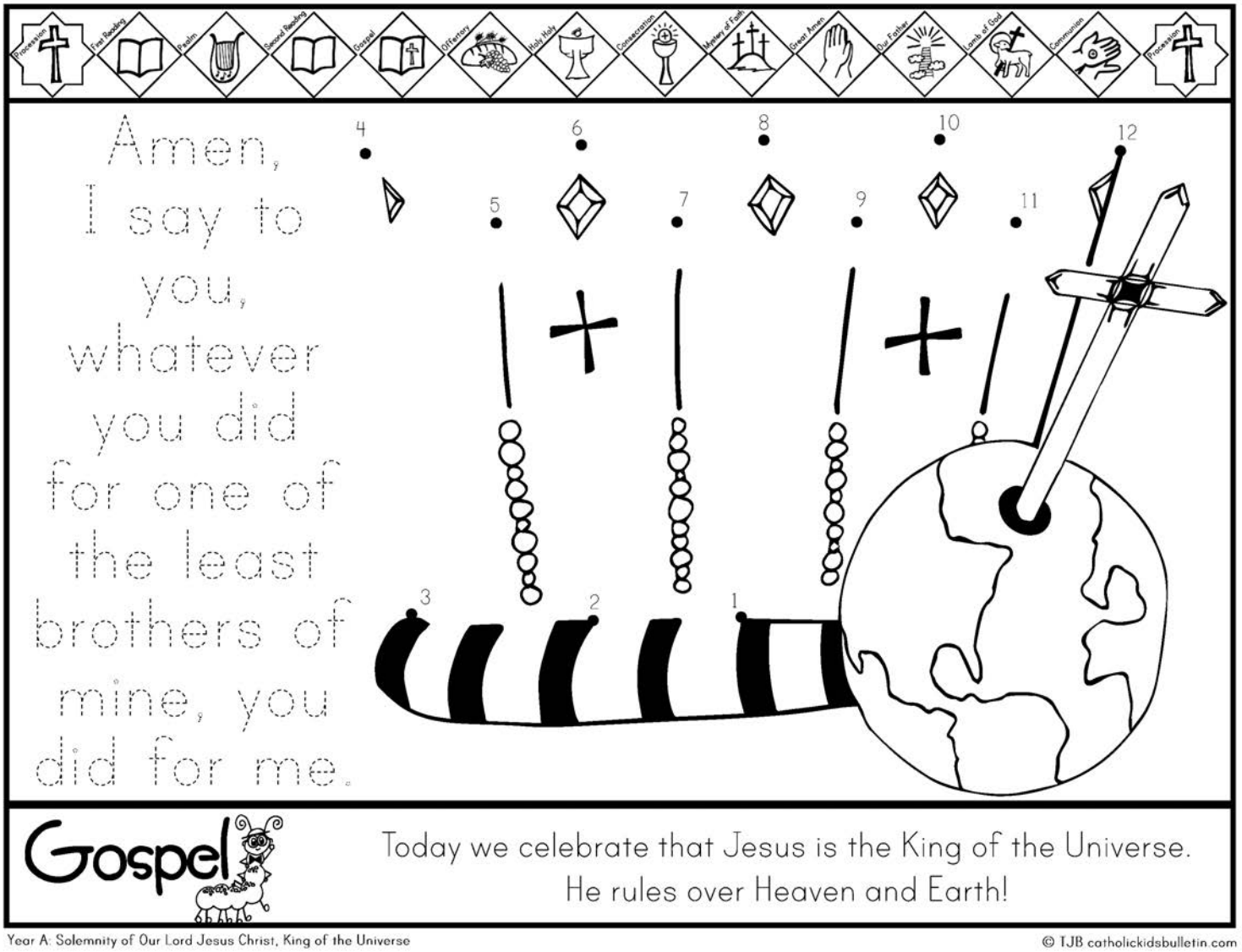
Prayer and luncheon begin at 12:25 p.m.

Members: $40 & Non-members: $45 | Children 12 and under: $20

$15 of each adult luncheon reservation is tax-deductible.

Luncheon reservations are due Friday, November 27. For registration information, visit www.daytoncatholicwomensclub.org.

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