



Our Lady of Fatima

FAMILY OF PARISHES

SEPTEMBER

6

2026

23RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER

13

2026

24TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES ACCOMPANIES PEOPLE IN BECOMING DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.

PASTOR: Fr. Eric Bowman | **VICARS:** Fr. Martin Bachman, Fr. Jacob Schmiesing
SUNDAY ASSOCIATE: Fr. Joseph Kozar | **DEACON:** John Carlin



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



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.



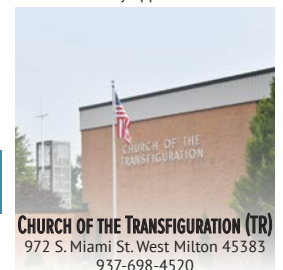
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)
528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356
937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH (SP)
409 E. Main St. Troy 45373
937-335-2833 | stpatricktroy.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.

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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, Midnight-4:00 AM and
Friday, 10:00 PM to Saturday, 6:00 AM. Open all other hours.

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.

Parishioners, please let the church office know of changes to your address, phone or email.

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. **NEXT CLASS: SEPTEMBER 14**

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!

OLF church offices will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day.

Happy LABOR DAY

Masses on Labor Day will be at 9:00 a.m. at St. Patrick, Transfiguration and St. Boniface with Confession moved to immediately following Mass at St. Boniface.



GOLDEN JUBILEE MASSES WITH ARCHBISHOP CASEY

Sunday, 11/15, 10:00 AM, Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains (Cincinnati)
Saturday, 11/21, 4:30 PM, St. Francis of Assisi (Centerville)

Couples celebrating a Jubilee Wedding Anniversary (25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc.) are invited to Mass with Archbishop Casey on November 15 (Cincinnati) or November 21 (Dayton). Family members are welcome to attend as well, and a special blessing will be offered to the jubilarian couples. Please RSVP by November 2, 2026.

Synod 2027

Where is the Holy Spirit Leading Us?

As part of Synod 2027, Archbishop Casey invites each of us to participate in a Conversations in the Spirit listening session. Join others across our archdiocese in prayerfully considering what the Holy Spirit is asking of our Church at this time, thereby assisting Archbishop Casey as he establishes pastoral priorities for the future.

There are approximately 60 sessions scheduled between Labor Day and Thanksgiving.

Register today at catholicaoc.org/conversations

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 – LABOR DAY

9:00 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Jenny Marie Brueckman	1 Cor 5:1-8
9:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Alicia Baffoni	Lk 6:6-11
9:00 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Tom & Georgie Schlicker	

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Michael Ham	<i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Eleanor Thoma	<i>Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30</i>
12:00 p.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. C. Caserta	<i>Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23</i>

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Holy Souls of Purgatory	<i>St. Peter, Claver, Priest</i>
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Purgatorian Mass: Theresa Lawson	1 Cor 7:25-31
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Patricia Davie	Lk 6:20-26

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Donald Hutchinson	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13
8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	†Craig Colby	Lk 6:27-38
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Vernon Quinter	

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Thomas Drake	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Atticus Ankerman	Lk 6:39-42
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†LaVonna Mikolajewski	

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	†Jim Garrity	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i>
3:30 p.m.	St. Boniface	†Kory Bachman	1 Cor 10:14-22
5:00 p.m.	St. Patrick	Jim Miller	Lk 6:43-49
5:00 p.m.	St. Mary	†Mike Metzger	

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	In Memory of the Colavecchio Family	<i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
7:30 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Bob Menker	<i>Sir 27:30–28:7</i>
7:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	†John & †Barb Stiner	<i>Rom 14:7-9</i>
9:15 a.m.	St. Mary	Living & Deceased of OLF	<i>Mt 18:21-35</i>
9:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Oliver Lane	
10:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	†Lori Albright	
11:00 a.m.	St. Boniface	†Joan Wright	
11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	OLF Parish Priests & Deacons	

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

OLF CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS | SEPTEMBER 14 St. Teresa, Covington | 7:30 PM

*If Mass needs to be canceled, a sign on the church door and/or a post will be made
on the Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes Facebook page.*

EMAIL OR TEXT SCAM ALERT

Please don't be fooled by email scam attempts under the subject of "Our Lady of Fatima..." or from any of our priests' names. Our priests will not commonly ask for money, funds or gift cards via electronic communication.

ANDREW DINNERS



Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes is hosting an Andrew Dinner this Fall on Thursday, September 24 at St. Patrick. Andrew Dinners are for high school and college-age men. These events provide an opportunity for young men to learn about priesthood and seminary, speak with Archbishop Emeritus Dennis Schnurr and the vocation director, and to share a meal together. For more info and to register: <https://catholicaoc.org/andrew-dinners>.

Contact Fr. Michael Willig at mwillig@catholicaoc.org or 513-263-3390 with any questions.

FR. ERIC BOWMAN'S RAMBLINGS

CREDO | *I Believe*

At each Sunday Mass following the homily, the faithful rise and profess their belief in God, which is called the "Creed." This action by the faithful is meant to be our public response to the invitation found in the Word of God to echo the words of St. Peter who said, "You are the Christ, the Son of God."

The word "creed" itself comes from the first word in Latin: *credo* ("I believe."). So, we can certainly say that the Creed is something which we believe and hold to be true.

Here's how the Catechism of the Catholic Church begins its explanation: "Whoever says 'I believe' says 'I pledge myself to what I believe.' Communion in faith needs a common language of faith, normative for all and uniting all in the same confession of faith." It is a, "...Sign of recognition and communion between believers...a summary of the *principle* truths of the faith." In other words, it's a summary, even if it's not a complete one. It's a summary of the principle truths, the main ideas, the core tenants. It's not everything, but it's a lot of the most important stuff.

Our family of parishes is launching a new and plentiful Adult Faith Formation ministry. This past spring, Our Lady of Fatima hired Mr. Ron Mills to serve as director of Adult Faith Formation to teach, work with leadership and catechists, and unify our many different and beautiful adult faith programs throughout our parishes. We, the priests, leadership and staff, determined that our theme for the next few years will be "Credo!" We are working together to equip our catechists and share a schedule of programming. Credo is in essence interwoven in all ministries.

That being said, I am excited to see the beginning of several of our other important ministries within our family of parishes! OLF Youth Ministry, Young Adult programs, OCIA, Jr. OCIA and CCD ministries are getting underway throughout the next few weeks. Please pray for the ministers, catechists, priests and staff and all of the people who are growing abundantly in their faith and who will be served by these ministries. We are accompanying people in becoming disciples of Christ!

OLF STAFF & CLERGY



MAINTENANCE JOB OPPORTUNITY NOW AVAILABLE!

Interested in the trades and craftsmanship? Do you have interest, skills and experience with equipment and facilities maintenance? Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes is seeking a maintenance person to apprentice for St. Patrick's campus and to support St. Teresa on occasion. Send a resume and an email of interest to HR@fatima-family.org.



On Sunday, August 23, the sisters of Charity of Cincinnati celebrated jubilees. Thirty-five sisters were honored for 35 to 85 years in the community. Sister Mary Alice Haithcoat is celebrating 60 years as a Sister of Charity. Congratulations, Sister! We are glad you share your beautiful ministry with us and our Piqua Catholic students!

WE ARE HIRING
Join the OLF Team!

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY
Send a letter of interest, resume, two letters of recommendation and a video portfolio of directing a service and of singing a psalm/hymn while playing to:
HR@FATIMA-FAMILY.ORG

Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES

FACILITIES

ST. PATRICK CAPITAL PHASE II & III

The custom handicap ramp door has arrived and has been installed! Concrete on the ramp and front walkway, capstones and masonry for the footer walls throughout, two flat ADA-compliant restpoints on the ramp, a new electronic door, matching regulation-height railings, and frosted door glass will be coming, too. Although there are still many moving pieces still behind-the-scenes: permits and approvals, financial alignment, custom supply ordering and production, cure-time, wiring, architecture, vendor contracting, piping, snow-melt system pieces, etc., the outward progress of Phase II & III is always fun to witness! Thanks to the parishioners who have been appreciating how important of an investment this is for the future of St. Patrick's church campus and how blessed we are as a parish to have access to make this happen. Many more thanks to come, but let's take a moment to share appreciation and lift a prayer of gratitude for the experts, donors and teams from Hemm's Glass, Midwest Maintenance, Andrew Circle, Behr Designs, the City of Troy, Will-Con, Superior Aluminum Products, Jason Weigandt Landscaping, Ernst Concrete, Our Lady of Fatima staff and pastor, and several others who have supported St. Patrick Catholic Church!

OLF MINISTRIES

YOUTH MINISTRY

OLF Youth Ministry has a stacked programming line-up coming your way for 2026-2027!

Youth Group begins 9/20/26, 6:30 PM at Transfig Youth Building.

Download the REMIND App, stay tuned for an email and attend family Mass on 9/13/26 for an announcement.



NEW! Teens and parents spoke, and we listened! Fr. Schmiesing, Fr. Eric, Natalie and a growing Core Team of leaders have prepared a new program that will go deeper into the faith, Scripture and teen community building than ever before!

"Discipleship" ENROLLMENT IS OPEN EARLY FOR REGISTRANTS! Learn more here!



DAMASCUS

PARENTS: NEWS FLASH!

It's time for 2027 Damascus Summer Camp (formerly CYSC) registration! Thanks to a special arrangement, Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' (OLF) campers will get to **REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP STARTING 9/1/26** – ahead of the October general registration! If you have been part of the OLF "group block" e-mails in the past, you will receive an e-mail with more details on how to register. To be included on these announcements, send a message to staceyearhart3@gmail.com. A limited block of bunks have been secured just for OLF students and friends! First-come, first-served.

Save-the-Date

2026 Damascus Summer Camp | Week 3 - June 20-25, 2027

Reminder: For students who will be incoming 6-12th grade during the next (2027-2028) school year (Current year's 5th graders, this means YOU!)

Download the OLF Youth Ministry REMIND App to stay informed. Parents (and students with parent permission) add these class REMIND codes for upcoming event notifications and important reminders!

OLF Youth Ministry Code = @ba389ek
OLF Confirmation (8th Gr.) Code = @39fkhh
OLF 7/8th CCD Code = @74bgg6
OLF DISCIPLESHIP | Code = @78dec3

9/13/26
YOUTH + TEEN MASS ROLES



OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

9.13.26 | 10 AM
@Transfiguration
West Milton
ALL AGES!

Youth & Teen MASS

A PARISH-WIDE EVENT FOR STUDENTS, THEIR FAMILIES, PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS!

WITH COFFEE + DOUGHNUTS FOR ALL AFTERWARD
TRADITIONAL & PRAISE MUSIC
WEAR A DAMASCUS SHIRT IF YOU WANT!

CONTACT 937-335-2833 OR RELIGIOUSED@FATIMA-FAMILY.ORG
BY 9/9 TO SIGNUP FOR A LITURGICAL ROLE (GR 3-12) |
GREETERS | USHERS | LECTORS | SERVERS | SINGERS
MUSIC REHEARSALS: 9/9-6:30P & 9/13-8:45 AM

SPECIAL YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT &
7/8TH GRADE CCD PARENT MEETING TO FOLLOW

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OLF YOUTH + TEEN MASS

ALL OLF FAMILIES & AGES - See info in the Youth Ministry section!
Sunday, September 13, 2026 | 10 AM

Junior OCIA

If your student is off schedule from receiving their 2nd grade or 8th grade Sacraments, or has missed a year of religious education (CCD/Catholic school) please contact religiously@fatima-family.org so that Junior OCIA can be offered. Those classes and meetings are offered in Troy and Piqua.

2026-2027 Our Lady of Fatima CCD Registration IS NOW OPEN!

Classes begin:

September 15 | 6-7 PM at St. Patrick location | Special Needs + K-6th
September 16 | 6-7 PM at Transfiguration location | K-6th
September 20 | 5-6 PM at St. Patrick location for ALL 7/8th graders

If you are interested in lending your time and love of the faith with students, please contact Director of Religious Education, Susan Anderson at susan@fatima-family.org. This could be as an aide, a sub, parent volunteer or catechist. Training and materials provided.

26-27 CCD REGISTRATION



OLF MINISTRIES

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



OLF ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMMING WILL BE BASED ON CREDO "I BELIEVE!" HERE IS A GLIMPSE OF SOME OF THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT PRIESTS, GUEST PRESENTERS, CATECHISTS AND MINISTRY LEADERS BRING OUR PARISHES TO STRENGTHEN THE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE OF THOSE SEEKING A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS. *These qualify as OCIA Elective Credits.*

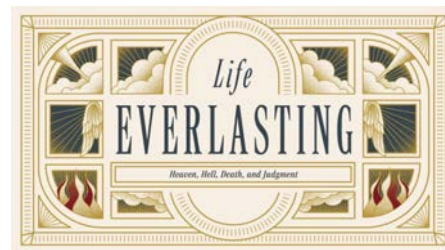
OLF Bible Study: Life Everlasting: Heaven, Hell, Death, & Judgment, is a five-session Bible Study that explores what the Church teaches about the **Last Things**. Each session will help you understand why these teachings are not meant to cause fear but to inspire hope and deeper trust in God's promise of eternal life.

With powerful videos and easy-to-follow readings, you will gain a deeper understanding of the **Last Things** while discovering how living with eternity in mind gives everyday life greater meaning and purpose.

Sundays | 6:00 p.m. | 9/13, 20, 27 & 10/11, 10/18 - St. Patrick (Parish Center Upstairs)

Wednesdays | 9:00 a.m. | 9/16, 23, 30 & 10/14, 10/21 - St. Patrick (Church Undercroft, Crawford Street Door)

Order a book and/or access online: Ascensionpress.org | *Workbook is \$15.99 + shipping or Online access is \$6.95*



OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS
AN ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

SIPS & SAINTHOOD

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8 | 7-9 PM
"Broken, Yet a Believer"

by Fr. Martin Bachman
followed by social time + TRIVIA NIGHT!

ALL ADULTS WELCOME | SOCIAL & TALK
5485 TROY-SIDNEY RD., PIQUA | CASUAL BARN SETTING
BARTENDED BY PHILIA YOUNG ADULTS!

OCIA Elective Eligible

2026 GriefShare Sessions begin September 9 for 13 Wednesdays | 1 PM or 7 PM

No matter what the circumstances, grief recovery is painful. A "GriefShare" seminar and support group for our parish and local community is available to you. This weekly program is for people grieving the death of a loved one. It's a safe place where you can be around people who understand how you are feeling and are able to offer you encouragement, coupled with video seminars and recovery methods offered by national experts. You are welcome to just come and check it out, too.

Register on griefshare.org/findagroup.

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

The Traveling Shamrocks presents to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes & Friends:

Exciting trips for 2027 & 2028!

Explore Scotland & Ireland – April 4-16, 2027 (Collette Travel)

Please note seat reduction is September 28, 2026
<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1409977>

Discover Reflections of Italy – October 26-November 4, 2027

Presentation by Collette for those interested in learning more:
October 13, 6 PM | St. Patrick Catholic Church undercroft
<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1430314>

Fatima, Spain & Lourdes Pilgrimage – July 17-26, 2028

Spiritual Director: Fr. Eric Bowman
Check out 206 Tours: <https://www.206tours.com/cms/frbowman/marian/>
For questions, contact Pat Smith, rsmith3055@aol.com.

Happy Travels!

ALTAR SOCIETIES

Transfiguration Altar Rosary Society

is pleased to offer a selection of religious articles perfect for gifting or to add a touch of spirituality to your home. Items such as rosaries, Baptismal and Confirmation gifts and sacred icons and children gifts are available. Call the Transfiguration office for more info at 937-698-4520.

St. Mary Altar Society

You Are Invited!

Monday, September 14, 12:00 Noon.
Meet at the "Lighthouse at the Lock"
for lunch and a business meeting.
Please join!

THE 45TH ANNUAL ST. PATRICK OCTOBER LUNCHEON

Ticket sales are happening NOW!

Join the outstanding fellowship, food by Eloquence Catering & raffles for this traditional fundraising opportunity for St. Patrick!

FRIDAY RAFFLE LUNCHEONS
OCTOBER 2 - 9 - 16 - 23

Winners need not be present to win!
\$100 INCLUDES ALL FOUR LUNCHEONS & RAFFLE TICKETS.
ONLY 200 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD.

Contact the St. Patrick office to ensure that you're on the waitlist by 9/18! A co-chair, ticket seller or office staff will be in touch with you!

**Rides | Raffles & Silent Auction | Merch
Games of Chance | Beer | Food**
Become a Featured Sponsor of this Major Community Event!
OKTOBERFESTSB@GMAIL.COM

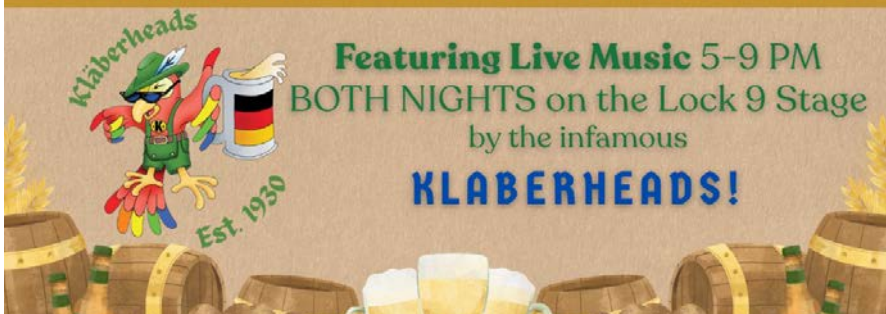
St. Boniface October 16 & 17, 2026

Friday, 5-10 PM | Saturday, 12-10 PM
Lock 9, 123 N. Main St. | Piqua, Ohio

LOCKtoberfest

ST. BONIFACE'S FIRST ANNUAL PARTNERSHIP WITH CROOKED HANDLE

OCTOBER 9, 5-8 PM | RAFFLES & CABBAGE ROLL DINNER | 218 S. DOWNING ST.



CALLING ALL MEN
WHO ARE WILLING TO ENGAGE IN THEIR FAITH AND
LEAD THEIR FAMILIES IN THESE TROUBLING TIMES

Who: Men of Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes
What: Eucharistic Adoration & Men's Fellowship
When: 3rd Saturdays | 7:00 AM | SEPTEMBER 19
Where: Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal
3505 Calumet Rd. | Ludlow Falls, OH 45339
Why: To bring men into a deeper relationship with Christ and His Catholic Church through a worthy celebration of the sacraments, engaging talks to strengthen their faith, opportunities for true fraternity and exposure to resources to aid them in living their faith as disciples of Christ.

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.
-Proverbs 27:17

CONTACT WADE DEXTER WITH QUESTIONS 937-875-7132 | 6DEXTERS@GMAIL.COM

That Man Is You!

Fall Semester starts September 12
Join anytime!

Theme: "The Revelation of the Father"
Featuring 8 Dynamic Speakers!

All Men Are Welcome!

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith

Saturday Mornings 6:30 - 8:00 AM
Caserta Center at St. Boniface Parish



For more information contact ddecknadel@gmail.com or keith.zimmerman@outlook.com

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

It's the year of St. Teresa's 75th Anniversary!

Help honor 75 years of St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus Catholic Church history! Let's enhance the funds of St. Teresa so that it continues to provide stability and have maintenance funds for years and liturgies to come!

**Make your gift to "St. Teresa" in honor of its 75th Anniversary:
\$7.50 - \$75 - \$750 - \$7,500**

Registered St. Teresa parishioners, an invitation for the Anniversary Mass & Dinner on Saturday, October 3, 2026 is heading to your mailbox!

A limited edition commemorative ornament will be available for purchase.

On behalf of the anniversary committee, we extend our heartfelt thanks to the parishioners of St. Mary Catholic Church in Piqua, Ohio, including those whose ancestors may have helped fund the construction of a new Catholic church in the Covington area. Their generosity and faith helped lay the foundation for the parish community we cherish today. If you have not visited St. Teresa, you are warmly invited to come and see how our parish has grown. Thank you for being part of our history and our celebratory year!

St. Teresa registered parishioners, please be part of contributing to the Celebration dinner with a side dish! A sign-up link is circulating or contact Bev Yount.



First class to receive their First Solemn Communion—1951
First row (l. to r.): Peter Ventura, Michael Vogt, Richard Braun, Theresa Richard, Kathleen Pour, Marcia Lyle
Second row (l. to r.): Dennis Ventura, Rev. Robert J. Von Kaenel, Ronald Ventura



SCHOOLS

"DOLLARS FOR OUR SCHOLARS" LUNCHEONS

The Dollars for Our Scholars fundraiser, celebrates 26 years of supporting Piqua Catholic School! Thank you to the wonderful supporters who come for three fun and delicious lunches. The luncheons will take place on Wednesdays, September 16, 23 and 30 at the Knights of St. John Hall, 110 S. Wayne St., Piqua, starting at noon. The committee members have been getting the tickets to their buyers. Tickets are \$100 each for the three luncheons, and there are still a few of the 200 tickets available. Current patrons will automatically receive a ticket. Please call Cheryl at 937-239-5808 for questions or to purchase. Cash prizes of \$1,000, \$100, \$50 and \$25, along with bottles of wine are given out in a reverse raffle at each luncheon.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Covington | St. Teresa Knights of Columbus | Landon Coate, 937-473-5292

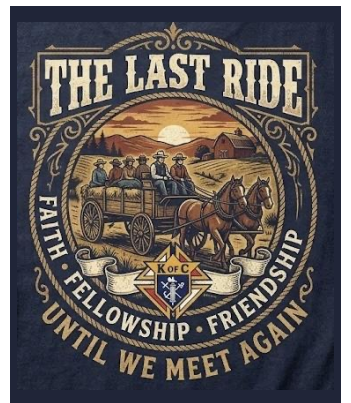
The Knights of Columbus Council 15424 will meet on the fourth Monday of each month.

Piqua Knights of Columbus | Mike Worland, 937-606-6707

Save-the-Date

"The Last Ride" – October 3, 6 PM

Join us at the "Huelskamp Barn" for an evening of fellowship and fun!
Live music by Jason Rhodes, food & drinks, games of chance and a silent auction.
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Piqua 3344



Troy | St. Patrick Knights of Columbus | Ian Unger, 419-733-9159

The Knights of Columbus Council 3873 will meet on the second Thursday of each month in the St. Patrick Parish Center, Room 6 upstairs (444 E. Water Street, white building behind school).

Piqua Knights of St. John | Doug Francony, 937-214-4915

PARISHIONER HIGHLIGHTS

NEWLY BAPTIZED *Congratulations to:*

Soyul-Lee, daughter of Hyunhee-Lee and Mikyeong-Yang (SP)
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Lectors	J. Ventura, J. White
Sacristan	L. Ventura
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Sunday, September 13 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	B. Johns, K. Johns, A. Richard
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ST. MARY

Saturday, September 12 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	G. Peterson, M. Peterson, T. Ford
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Nagengast, C. Oda, Sister Ginny, K. Wendeln
Lectors	M. Ford, E. Merrifield
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Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, J. Hemmert, Volunteer

Sunday, September 13 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	H. Kreitzer, F. O'Leary, G. O'Leary
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Sunday, September 13 – 7:30 a.m.

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Saturday, September 12 – 5:00 p.m.

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Lector	J. Gigandet
Sacristan	S. Knight

Sunday, September 13 – 7:30 a.m.

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Sunday, September 13 – 9:30 a.m.

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Sunday, September 13 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	W. Case, Volunteers
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Luke Carey
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The Dayton Catholic Women's Club invites you to join us for the Day of Recollection on October 3, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at St. Peter's, Huber Heights. Archbishop Robert Casey will be our featured keynote speaker and celebrant for Mass. Come enjoy a day of community with Catholic women of the Miami Valley area. The day will include Mass, our program and lunch. Space is limited, register early. All are welcome! To register, visit Daytoncatholicwomensclub.org, then "events" page. The next Dayton Catholic Women's Club meeting is Monday, September 14 at Ascension Catholic Church in the Parish Office building at 6:00 p.m. Find out more about the club and how you can help out at our upcoming events. Questions? E-mail dcwc1923@gmail.com.

FISH of Union Township is in need of two trustees and a food pantry manager. The main duty of a trustee is to process requests for financial assistance. This commitment is only appx. two hours per week. FISH is open Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., but you are not required to be available during that entire time. All that is required is a telephone; a computer is helpful. Other duties include attending quarterly trustee meetings, and updating the daily phone message two months of the year. The food pantry manager orders food from Meijer as needed, purchases personal care items, keeps the pantry organized, coordinates the Meijer Simply Give program and manages activity with local IGA. If you would like to volunteer for either position, or would like more information about it, please send an email with your contact information to fishutmc@gmail.com.

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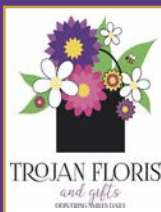


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