



Our Lady of Fatima

FAMILY OF PARISHES

NOVEMBER

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2026

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

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



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.



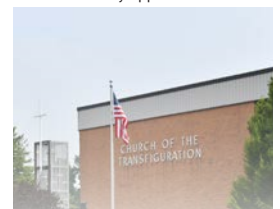
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)
528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356
937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org
M-Th, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



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.

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, 11:00 PM to 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: NOVEMBER 9!**

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!

ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI

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 now 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.

Discipleship Maker Index Fall '26



Synod 2027

Where is the Holy Spirit Leading Us?

Register today at catholicaoc.org/conversations

NEW POSITION! DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Supporting the business management needs of Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes, this role will guide financial administration, budgets and human resources for Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes. To share interest, please send a letter of interest, resume and two references to HR@FATIMA-FAMILY.ORG.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:10 p.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Boniface	†Tina Weikert Holy Children with no Baptism in Purgatory Living & Deceased of the Charles & Nunzintina Caserta Family	<i>All Souls' Day</i> Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-1 Jn 6:37-40
6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Transfiguration Transfiguration	<i>Our Lady of Fatima Mass of Remembrance</i> Reading of OLF Deceased Names †Deceased of OLF	

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	St. Patrick St. Boniface Transfiguration	Special Intention for Alex Meyer †Sister Catherine Kroeger, C.P.P.S. †James F. Houser	<i>St. Martin de Porres, Religious</i> Phil 2:5-11 Lk 14:15-24
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	Holy Souls of Purgatory † Purgatorian Mass: Theresa Lawson †Tom Jones	<i>St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i> Phil 2:12-18 Lk 14:25-33
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Transfiguration St. Patrick St. Boniface	†Richard Platfoot & Family Cyndi Cathcart †Fr. David Zink	<i>Phil 3:3-8a</i> Lk 15:1-10
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Jenny Marie Brueckman †Jerry Spicer Living & Deceased Godchildren of Josh & Alanna York	<i>Phil 3:17--4:1</i> Lk 16:1-8
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary St. Boniface \$ St. Patrick St. Mary	†Melissa McElDowney †John Lutz †Steve Estes Living & Deceased of OLF	<i>Phil 4:10-19</i> Lk 16:9-15
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Teresa St. Mary St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Boniface \$ St. Patrick	Margaret Wendeln Rex & Sheila Bradley 40th Anniversary †Connie Cain †Diane DeBrosse Diane Guthey †Becky Ann Call †Vernon Quinter †Jill Huelskamp	<i>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Times</i> Wis 6:12-16 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Mt 25:1-13
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\$ = Second Collection = \$-Outreach – SB † = In Memoriam * = Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass
All weekday and Sunday Masses are streamed at Transfiguration: transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot.

Save-the-Date

Our Lady of Fatima Mass of Remembrance

for those parishioners and staff who lost their lives this past year.

All Souls' Day | Monday, November 2

7:00 p.m. Mass, 6:45 p.m. Reading of Names at Church of the Transfiguration

To allow people to attend the OLF Mass of Remembrance at Church of the Transfiguration, the monthly Charismatic Healing Mass has been moved to November 9.

FR. ERIC BOWMAN'S RAMBLINGS

The Two Great Commandments

Praised be the God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

Given the new and unplanned reduction to Our Lady of Fatima's assigned priests, as pastor, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the general plan for Our Lady of Fatima over the next several months to cover the temporary reduction. The challenge we face is a shortage of priests in general. Archbishop Casey joked with me and said, "Fr. Eric, it's not like I can place an overnight-order from Amazon for a new priest."

After a lengthy discussion with the Archbishop, Fr. Schmiesing and I, my leadership team and some of the retired priests who reside in West Milton have formulated a plan to cover all previously-scheduled Our Lady of Fatima liturgical, sacramental and spiritual needs of our people through July 30, 2026. This Mass and Confession coverage is something that you know is a priority to me for our people. The end of the fiscal year is when a priest will be officially appointed as vicar to our family of parishes.

Fr. John MacQuarrie and Fr. Steve Shoup will graciously cover all Masses and Thursday evening Confessions at Transfiguration. Fr. Jim Duell has also agreed to help with some of the St. Teresa Masses. Fr. Terry Schneider and Fr. Ken Baker will continue to sub when they are free. Fr. Joe Kozar will remain a Sunday Associate for St. Patrick. They do not hold other OLF administrative responsibilities, so all questions and programmatic, operational and ministry needs will continue to be routed to my attention or to the appropriate office personnel.

Fr. Schmiesing and I will cover the rest of the liturgical gaps, to include Piqua and Troy Masses, Confessions, anointings and other Sacramental/spiritual duties. We will look forward to a rotation that will again allow us to celebrate Masses at Transfiguration and St. Teresa in the future. But until then, we are grateful for the coverage assistance. Similar to what Piqua does a few times a year, feel free to let us know if you would like to arrange for some fellowship with us after daily Masses in the coming weeks and months. Just send an e-mail to natalie@fatima-family.org so that it can get arranged.

I am incredibly grateful to my older brothers for making the sacrifice to "come out of retirement" to assist us in our time of need!

VICAR'S VOICE

ESCHATOLOGY: DEATH AND JUDGMENT | BY *Fr. Jacob Schmiesing*

On November 1 and 2, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All Souls. The Church sets these dual feasts at the beginning of November, coinciding with the last few weeks of the liturgical year. Mirroring the darkening natural world in this season, the liturgical life of the Church, from the readings and prayers at Mass to the feasts she celebrates, shifts focus to the end of our lives and of the world. "Eschatology," meaning the study of the last or final things, is the term used to describe these elements. Over the next few weeks, the bulletin articles will be a series concerning eschatology and "The Four Last Things" which await all of us at the end of our lives. These Four Last Things are death and judgment, then either Heaven or Hell.

Benjamin Franklin famously quipped that only death and taxes are certain, and the Catholic Church partially agrees with him. After we die, personal judgment is certain to follow. These two events are the gateway from this world to eternal life, and everybody passes through them. Thus, during this season, the Church encourages us to think about them so they do not catch us unaware. This is not some morbid or macabre obsession of the Church, but a recognition of the plain reality that our entire life on this side of eternity is finalized at the moment of our death with eternal consequences.

Death, on one hand, is pretty straightforward, and most of us have some second-hand experience with it by the time we reach adulthood, not to mention by old age. Judgment, on the other hand, is much more obscure. Even the Church does not provide many concrete points about what our personal judgment before God will look like. God is all-knowing, so our entire life will lay open before Him and ourself. He is simultaneously perfectly merciful and perfectly just, so His judgment will be both kind and fair. Most importantly, His judgment is absolute and final, and will set us on our course for an eternity in either Heaven or Hell. However, each of us must wait to see what form this takes and how we will experience it.

For many people, death and judgment are legitimately intimidating; by definition, none of us have experienced either one. However, in Christian faith and hope, we can prepare ourselves for them when they come. By thinking about our death and reflecting on our life, we reconcile ourselves to our fate and the fate of all humans, which helps us prepare to die at peace and without undue fear or anxiety. To prepare for our judgment before God, we must always strive to live an upright and moral life, humbly confessing our sins when we fall, so that we can appeal to both God's justice and mercy. By doing these well, we can hold fast to the hope of an eternity of perfect happiness in Heaven.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

A VERY SPECIAL PARISH PREMIERE

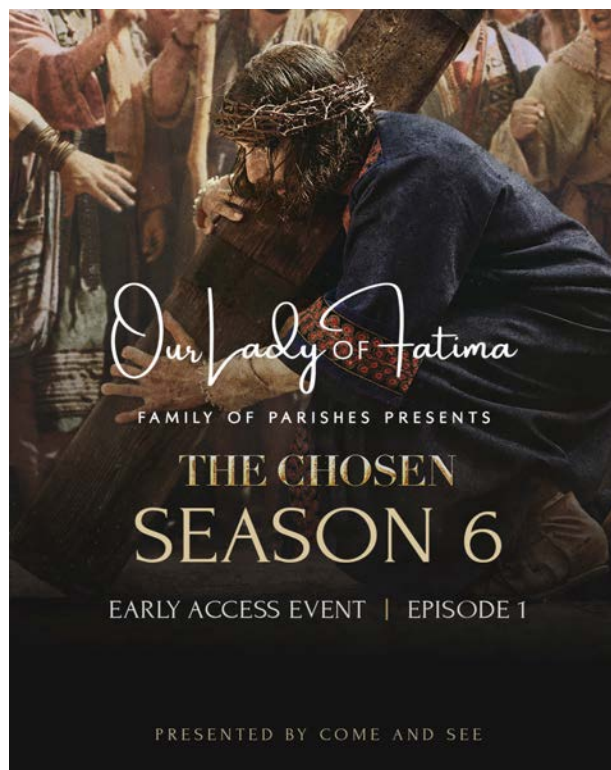
Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' Ministries and Fr. Eric Bowman are thrilled to share an incredible opportunity that has been arranged for our parish community and guests!

Friday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.

***The Chosen* Season 6 | Episode 1**

St. Patrick Parish Center | 444 W. Water St., Troy

*This watch party will be **PRIOR** to the public streaming release on November 15.*



Parental discretion advised as there may be a slightly-graphic scene.

Concessions available. Bring a chair or blanket for cozy seating.

Prayer and discussion with OLF's priests and ministry leaders included in the experience!

OLF MINISTRIES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

BIBLES & YOUNG CATECHISTS FOR OUR STUDENTS

Help give the gift of His Word, by generously making a donation for Bibles and YouCats (youth-friendly Catechism resource) to support this year's Our Lady of Fatima's CCD AND Catholic school students. We are in need of 100 Bibles and 80 YouCats. Thank you for supporting this educational gift! To make a donation, mark an envelope "Bible Donation" and place it in the offertory basket or drop off at the church office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

DISCIPLESHIP

Next Sunday, 11/8/26, 6:30-8 PM at St. Patrick.

For Pre-Registered Teens. More than 45 teens enrolled!

PARENTS/PARISHIONERS, would you like to help provide a meal for our young people? Sign up with the QR code! If a monetary gift is preferred, 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 App Code = @79adck6

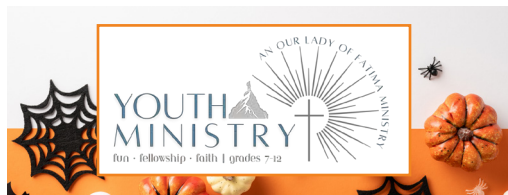
DISCIPLESHIP Enrolled Families | Remind App Code = @78decd3

7th and 8th Grade CCD Parents | Remind App Code = @74bgg6

Youth Ministry Meals!



Youth Ministry Calendar



YOUTH GROUP

All Saints Day Party, THIS Sunday, 11/1/26, 6:30-8 PM in the Transfig Youth Building! There will be a **COSTUME COMPETITION**, so come dressed as your favorite saint! Bring a friend for games, dinner and Christian fellowship!

OLF MINISTRIES

MUSIC & LITURGY



NEW-SERVER TRAINING

For **NEW** St. Patrick, St. Mary & St. Boniface Altar Servers. Register your child! 4th Grade+

- Deepens faith through active participation.
- Builds a personal relationship with God.
- Develops leadership & responsibility.
- Encourages a sense of belonging.
- Strengthens discipline & commitment.
- Fosters service-oriented values.
- Enhances understanding of Church traditions.
- Builds confidence in public settings.
- Creates positive peer connections.
- Encourages lifelong engagement with the Church.

ST. PATRICK

Choose 2 trainings below & RSVP:
Jonathan Bade | jbadepharmd@gmail.com
St. Patrick requires two trainings before the first Mass served.
7:00 - 8:15 PM - 11/3, 11/5, 11/10, 11/17, 11/19

PIQUA

For training, contact:
Don Stonerock | 937.773.2400
Young people & adult servers for daily Mass are requested.

Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES

OLF Adult and Children's Choirs in Troy and Piqua are back! Join in song to elevate your voice in praise!

SeungKeun Oh | seungkeun@fatima-family.org
OLF Assistant Director of Music & Liturgy

CATHOLIC LOVE IN ACTION



St. Boniface & St. Mary Parishioners & Friends – **UPDATED**

We get to provide donations to the Bethany Center Food Pantry to display Catholic love in action. In November and December return your canned goods and items to either ST. BONIFACE or ST. MARY. Thank you for your generosity.

Clients are especially in need of canned meat, fish, vegetables, soups, stew and fruit. Other helpful items include spaghetti, pasta sauce, fruit juice, broth, gravy, peanut butter, breakfast cereal, mac 'n cheese, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, boxed dinners, instant potatoes, noodles, popcorn and cornbread mix. Toilet paper and paper towels are always appreciated. Place your generous donations in the designated bins. Call the Bethany Center at (937) 615-9762 if you prefer to deliver directly.

DON'T FORGET! YOUR BOX OF JOY IS DUE NOVEMBER 6!

PAY THE SMALL SHIPPING FEE NOTED BELOW. RETURN YOUR BOX OF JOY TO ANY OLF CHURCH.

In sharing our Catholic love in action, Our Lady of Fatima is participating in "Box of Joy" to send 300 boxes of gifts to children in need across the world in time for Christmas! OLF parishioners, please share in spreading the love!

1. Select a box & instruction packet from the entry of an OLF church.
2. Pack your Box of Joy with gifts, toys, clothing, school supplies or other fun and practical items!
3. Participants are kindly asked to donate \$9 of shipping at boxofjoy.org to help get the gift to its location.

If needed, you can mail a check to Box of Joy instead.

Boxes and simple instructions on how to share this love with a child in need will be available at **ALL OUR LADY OF FATIMA churches**. **Boxes of Joy are due to your church vestibule or office no later than November 6, so children can receive them by Christmas.** Each child who receives a Box of Joy will receive a rosary and a booklet in their own language, "The Story of Jesus," with the message of eternal hope found in Christ to further the evangelization of the Catholic Church around the globe! Please pray for the children who will receive your outpouring of love and generosity and for the priests, nuns and Catholic lay leaders who will distribute the Box of Joy gifts to these children.



OLF MINISTRIES

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Friendsgiving
Tuesday, 11/17 | 6PM
@Spiritual Center
RSVP details to follow!



DETAILS COMING SOON!

Let's give thanks for our community and our friendship – new and loyal, and have a lot of fun!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King. Fr. John MacQuarrie will present about this important day on Wednesday, November 18 at 6:30 p.m. in St. Mary's church. Hear about the history and meaning of this pinnacle celebration of the Catholic liturgical year!

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
~ Matthew 18:20

**FALL INTO WINTER
FAMILY ROSARY**

What to Expect:

- Family Rosary
- Potluck
- Bring 1-2 sides to share
- Meat, water, table service provided.
- All are welcome, bring friends!

Rosary starts @4:30pm potluck after.

2nd Sunday of the Month
Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. Skip, Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14

Transfiguration Church Parish Hall
972 South Miami St. West Milton, OH

More info contact Anne Case 937-216-3328 Thecases618@gmail.com

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

SIPS & SAINTHOOD

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 | 7-9 PM

The Life of "The Chosen"
by Grant & Erin Orians
"Extras" from the set of The Chosen!

**ADULTS-ONLY TALK
& SOCIAL TO FOLLOW**

5485 TROY-SIDNEY RD., PIQUA
BARN & BAR SETTING | FRIENDS WELCOME!
OCIA ELECTIVE ELIGIBLE

ST. BONIFACE 30TH ANNUAL QUILT RAFFLE!

Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Purchase by 12/14! Featuring four quilts – full, twin, crib & wall-hanging sizes. They are available at church, Piqua churches' office, printed from piquaparishes.org or purchased by sending a donation online at PayPal.com | stbonifacequilt@gmail.com as the recipient. Tickets will be filled out for you. Raffle drawing will be Monday, 12/28 at St. Boniface BINGO. Need not be present to win. Contact: stbonifacequilt@gmail.com. Proceeds benefit St. Boniface Catholic Church.



ST. BONIFACE CABBAGE ROLL & HERITAGE BREAD SALE through November 12

Home-made pork Cabbage Rolls – oven/freezer-ready in pans of 3-6-12 servings.

Includes sauerkraut, tomato mixture, baking instructions.

Cabbage Roll Order Forms: Piqua parishes' office, piquaparishes.org, or stbonifacebread@gmail.com | (937) 773-1656.

Order Pick-Up: Saturday, 11/21 | 12:00–6:30 p.m. | Sunday, 11/22 | 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Caserta Activity Center | 218 S. Downing St. **Heritage Breads & Sweets Pre-orders will not be taken this year.**

On Cabbage Roll pick-up days, select your favorite breads & sweets! Various flavors of bread loaves available in four sizes, made from the St. Boniface Heritage Festival Bread Booth recipes, will be available for purchase on the above pick-up days.

Parishioners interested in being a "Sweet" vendor (cookies, cakes, pies, candy, pumpkin rolls, etc.), call/text Rose | 937-778-8642.

Proceeds benefit St. Boniface Family Life. Thank you for your support!

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

St. Teresa Christmas Bazaar

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
9 AM - 2:30 PM
6925 US-36, COVINGTON

CRAFT VENDORS | BAKED GOODS
QUILT SILENT AUCTIONS
RAFFLES! Gift Baskets/Handmade Quilt

Raffle Tickets Sales also available after 11/7 & 11/8 Masses in Piqua, Troy, Covington & West Milton!

\$1 EACH / 6 FOR \$5
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!

Coffee & Doughnuts Sunday, 11/15 after 7:30 AM St. Teresa Mass for the Raffle Drawings & Silent Auction Winners!

New & Improved!

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Sunday, November 15
St. Patrick Catholic Church Undercroft (basement)
Fellowship after 7:30 & 9:30 AM Masses!

\$10 per adult | \$5 for 12 and under | \$20 max per family

Join the community for fellowship and a fundraiser supporting Troy Knights of Columbus! They do so much to bless our parish community, let's take a moment to support their work!

Gluten Free Option Available

PRAY, HIKE AND PLAY WITH OTHER CATHOLIC MOMS AND KIDS!

CATHOLIC MOMS NATURE GROUP

FIRST THURSDAYS
FALL CYCLE
10AM - 12PM
NOVEMBER 5

RAIN DATE IS SECOND THURSDAY.

LARGE ESTATE SHELTER HOUSE
3505 CALUMET RD. | LUDLOW FALLS

BRING AS DESIRED: WATER, SNACKS, PACKED LUNCH, NATURE JOURNAL, ART SUPPLIES
NO CHALK, PLEASE.

TEXT ERIN ORIANS 513-374-0557
WITH QUESTIONS AND/OR TO CHECK ON WEATHER CANCELLATION

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal, 3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls

Friday, November 6 | 9:30 a.m. – Noon

In partnership,
the following Knights of Columbus Councils
3344 Piqua | 3873 Troy | 15424 Covington
are hosting the

“Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest

for all boys and girls, Kindergarten-8th Grade!

Build family discussion on the celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Packets were distributed to Piqua Catholic School, St. Patrick Catholic School and Our Lady of Fatima CCD students the last week of October. Packets will be available at OLF Catholic church entryways for all other students. Awards will be given for winning posters from each OLF Council in each grade category:

Grade K, Grades 1-2, Grades 3-4, Grades 5-6, Grades 7-8.

Winning posters will move forward to additional judging. Yours might be selected as a cover for a 2026-2027 Knights of Columbus International Christmas Card. Please, contact the Knights of Columbus listed in the bulletin with any questions.

**2025 Artist: Luciana Barsotti,
St. Patrick Catholic School
State of Ohio, Grade 7-8 Winner
Ohio Knights of Columbus**

SCHOOLS

DINE TO DONATE

ENJOY A MEAL WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS
WHILE SUPPORTING ST. PAT SCHOOL

ST. PATS HOME AND SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



**10.22.2026
&
11.5.2026**

989 E. ASH STREET
PIQUA, OHIO



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

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

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS | NOVEMBER 1, 2026

PARISHIONER HIGHLIGHTS

NEWLY BAPTIZED *Congratulations to:*

Callan Daniel, son of Alex & Ellie Miller (SP)

RECENTLY DECEASED *Please pray for the repose of the soul of:*

NEW PARISHIONERS *Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes!*

Vickie Dellinger (SP)

CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks for your support & congrats!

SP Weekly Raffle Winner 10/26

SP Monthly Raffle Winner – October

\$10-a-Month Club Raffle – October

Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 10/26-30

Mary Ann Ording

Henry Jones

Ron & Nancy Davey

Dale & Nancy Stager,

Mary Heckman, Nancy Hatcher,

Ben Carey, Mike Gutmann

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. BONIFACE

Saturday, November 7 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	R. Henry, M. Kemmer, M. Osborne
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Ventura, L. Ventura, K. Warner, Volunteer
Lectors	J. Herbe, C. Herbe
Sacristan	L. Ventura
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, P. Penny, P. Wendel, T. Sharp

Sunday, November 8 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	N. Bates, E. Carter, C. Jacob
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Garman, Sister Mary Alice, D. Johnson, G. Johnson
Lectors	M. McDonald, K. Zimmerman
Sacristan	D. Johnson
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, J. Knapke, M. Cool

ST. MARY

Saturday, November 7 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	D. Richard, G. Staley, M. Bell, Jr.
Extraordinary Ministers	Sister Ginny, A. Epperly, M. Epperly, A. Ford
Lectors	G. Fulks, B. Hewitt
Sacristan	A. Epperly
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, J. Hemmert, Volunteer

Sunday, November 8 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	M. Perry, G. Peterson, M. Peterson
Extraordinary Ministers	M. Safreed, D. Stonerock, G. Stonerock, M. Worland
Lectors	M. Galbreath, R. Foster
Sacristan	A. Cecil
Ushers/Greeters	Volunteer, D. Francony, G. Peltier

ST. TERESA

Sunday, November 8 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Server	P. Swabb
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Swabb, Volunteer
Lector	J. Swabb
Ushers	C. Wehner, Volunteer

ST. PATRICK

Saturday, November 7 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	L. Barsotti, Z. Barsotti
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Clark, Dcn. John, S. Carlin
Lector	S. Knight
Sacristan	S. Carlin

Sunday, November 8 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	H. Anthony, J. Bade
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Lehrter, P. Menker, E. Sheridan
Lector	K. Kremer
Sacristan	L. Menker

Sunday, November 8 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	J. Andrejcio, T. Behm, W. Behm
Extraordinary Ministers	S. Behm, T. Canavan, P. Cartwright, T. Muir, K. Olberding
Lector	A. Andrejcio
Sacristan	M. Henry

Sunday, November 8 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	F. Goubeaux, S. Goubeaux
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Purpus, E. Sheridan, D. Wolfe
Lector	G. Rinehart
Sacristan	E. Sheridan

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Extraordinary Ministers	J. Mergler, D. Mergler, C. Hummel
Lector	K. Jacobs
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	N. Craport, B. Hoffman, J. Stutz, G. Steele

Sunday, November 8 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	W. Case, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Mergler, D. Mergler, C. Hummel
Lectors	A. Wallace, R. Latino
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
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Join the Dayton Catholic Women's Club for its annual Christmas Boutique and Luncheon on Saturday, December 5, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Presidential Banquet Center.

Registration information is available at www.daytoncatholicwomensclub.org.

Interested in volunteering or learning more about DCWC? Join us for our next monthly meeting on Monday, November 9, at 6:00 p.m. at the Church of the Ascension, 2025 Woodman Drive, Kettering, in the Witzman Center (lower level). All members and prospective members are welcome for an informative and enjoyable evening! For more information, contact Lisa Scherbauer at dcwc1923@gmail.com.



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Board Meeting Information

- Location:** 530 Crescent Drive, Troy, Ohio
- Time:** 5:00 PM
- When:** 4th Thursday of each month
- Meetings are held **10 times per year** (No meetings in July or December)

Committee Opportunities

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