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# Welcome! Bienvenidos a todos!

#### **PASTORAL STAFF & LEADERSHIP**

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<u>deacon@unitedinhope.org</u>

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**Parish Council Presidents:** 

Chair: Lois Woods Vice: Ed Camacho

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310 Allen St. Dayton OH 45410

Director: Sr. Maria Stacy, SND

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

### Mary Queen of Peace Catholic School

(Consolidated school of Pastoral Region One)

138 Gramont Ave.: 268-6391

#### Daily Mass Schedule:

Tues.& Fri, - 8 AM (SM); 1st/3rd Wed. 1 PM @ The Glenn;

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Sat. - 4:30 PM @ SM & SB

Sun. – 9:00 AM @ SM; 10:30 AM @ SB

1:15 PM Mass in Spanish @ SM Holy Day Mass Schedules: (as announced)

Confessions: by appointment (call the Offices), or

Sat., 3:45-4 PM @ SB; Sat. 3:45-4 PM @ SM;

New Parishioners call: 256-5633, or 268-6697 Sacrament of the Sick/Hospital/Home Visits:

Call the Offices

**Prayer Chains:** 937-256-5633

Weddings: Call the offices at least 6 mo. In ahead

**Baptisms:** 937-256-5633 or 937-268-6697

RCIA/RCIC: Robert Odon (SB)

St. Vincent de Paul:

St. Mary Food Pantry - 427 Steele Ave (Covers a portion of 45403 & 45410) - open Tues & Thurs 9-11:30 am - 256-5528

St. Benedict Food Pantry: 915 Edwin C. Moses Blvd

Open on 2<sup>nd</sup> &4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of month

Covers: 45417, 45427 8-11:30 am

Other SM emergency needs: 256-5633 SB Emergency needs: 268-2747

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

At last the promise, made to Abraham when God commanded him to leave his home, his country, and his kin (Gen. 12:1-3), was fulfilled. The Messiah who would bring blessings to Jew and Gentile (to all mankind) had arrived. Eighteen hundred years of expectation had at last come to an end. During these long years of waiting, God had, through his prophets and through his prophetic actions, renewed the hope in the hearts of his Chosen People. These prophecies and prophetic actions had given indications that the expected one would be someone very close to God, someone who was more than a mere man. Yet, who among the Chosen People could ever have thought that the "Promised One" would be the very Son of God in human nature?

His contemporaries, when he came, refused to believe this truth even though Christ had, during his public ministry, made claims to equality with God the Father, and had proved these claims by miracles (see, for example, the story of the paralytic: "Your sins are forgiven you . . . who can forgive sins but God alone? . . . to prove to you . . . he said to the sick man 'get up . . . and go home," Lk. 5: 17-25).

But we must try to understand how difficult for a strict monotheistic Jew were the thought of three persons in God (the Trinity), and the idea that the infinite God could be in a limited, finite, human nature (the Incarnation). Our Lord himself showed that he understood their lack of faith, when he said on the cross: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do" (Lk. 23: 24).

We, however, have no reason for any such doubts or scruples. The full story of Christ's conception, birth, life, preaching and miracles, crowned by his death on the cross and his glorious resurrection, is in itself sufficient guarantee and proof that he was indeed the Son of God-made-man for our sakes. The spread of his Church among the Jews and Gentiles is another convincing proof. What sane man would accept self-mortification, undergo trials and hardships, even martyrdom, or give up all the attractions and pleasures of the body, if he were not convinced that the story of Christ, and therefore his gospel-message, was true?

The sad part is that, while we have every reason, in this world and the next, to believe in Christ and follow his teaching, so many nominal Christians live as if Christ himself had never lived and died for them. Their hearts are centered in the pleasures, the power and the wealth of this earth. These are passing things, which they will have to bid goodbye very soon. They devote their energies to getting all this world can give them. Its final gift to them will be a sixfeet-by-three hole in the earth.

If we neglect our vocation as Christians, if we forget God's infinite love for us, as shown in the Incarnation, and if we fail to learn the lesson he taught us: that our purpose in this short life is to earn the eternal life after death, we, too, could become renegades to Christianity, traitors to Christ and our own greatest enemy.

Christ came to make us his brothers and children of the heavenly Father. He came to die for us so that we could live forever. We can deny our heaven-sent brother, we can leave our father's home, we can lose the eternal happiness that Christ has won for us. God forbid that we should ever be so foolish, so ungrateful to God and Christ, and so harmful to our own real self-interest.

This reflection is by Father Kevin who was professor of Sacred Scripture at Christ the King Seminary and St. Bonaventua066r University in N.Y. and later in the National Seminary, Pretoria, South Africa and as a pastoral priest in Ireland.

#### REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

There will be Regional Council Meeting this Saturday January 25, 2014 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church at 9:30am. This meeting will discuss our new configuration as a Region with St. Augustine joining Region One and prospects of changes in our Mass times. If you have any comments or contributions for the growth and up keep of the Parishes within the Region and the transition please pass it on to any of the council members or to me as your Pastor. The council will move forward to set up a time line when all this will take place.

Please meet your New Regional Council Members.

Chair/Chair St. Mary Ed Camacho Vice Chair/Chair St. Benedict Cynthia Hayden Jo North Kim Haves Mark Bruggeman Ken Marcellus Jack Dempsey Corey Broussard Cynthia Henderson Laura Woeste Mary Jo Dupree Paula Glover Mark Bertolo Camille Brown Jim Buerschen Deacon Jernigan (Ex-Officio) (Ex-Officio)

Have a wonderful week



#### REGION ONE LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

[SB] = St. Benedict [SM] = St. Mary

Tue. Jan 21 8am [SM] SM/SB Parishioners

Fri. Jan 24 8am [SM] SM/SB Parishioners

Sat. Jan 25

4:30pm [SM] The Jim Hargis Family

4:30pm [SB] SB Parishioners

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun. Jan 26 9am [SM] Pauline Centers

10:30am [SB] SB Parishioners

1:15pm [SM] Spanish Mass

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Jan 12, 2014

St. Mary Weekly Goal: \$4116.00

Weekly \$2863.00 **SVDP** \$385 Rent \$3600

Roof Repair \$600 YTD \$34,609.00

TOTAL: \$7448.00

YTD collection \$102,622.58 Shortfall (\$17,705.10)

St. Benedict Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Goal \$5,200.00 **Jan. 11** \$763

Jan. 12 \$3563.45 Total: \$4326.45

Maintenance \$919 Utility \$881



#### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS PASTORAL REGION ONE:

[SB] = St. Benedict; [SM] = St. Mary

Mon. 1/20 MLK DAY; OFFICES CLOSED

Prayer Mtg. 11am [SB]

Fellowship of Work 9am [SM]

Choir Practice 7pm [SM] **Tues. 1/21** Wed 1/22 Bible Study 7pm [SB] **Thurs 1/23** Bible Study 10am [SMC]

Regional PC mtg 9:30am [SB] Sat 1/25

Choir Practice 6pm [SB]

1/26 **NO Bible Study** Sun

#### TAKE TEN & CONNECT

# With God & With Others You're Faith & Daily Life Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God's Word

Next Sunday's scripture: Isaiah 8: 23-9:3

2 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17; Matthew 4: 12-23

What did you let go of in your life in order to bring light and healing into the life of another recently?

Describe a time this week when you made an effort to change. Share an experience when you were asked to make a change in your life.

Name an experience - difficult or pleasant - when you noted God drawing your attention.

#### ST. MARY LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Jan 25 - 4:30pm

[S] Julie Himes

[L] Sr. Rose, Mary Ellen Oomens

[E] Joe & Bobbie Dues, Barb Wallbrown, Mike Snyder

#### Jan 26 - 9am

[S] Julie Himes

[L] Mary Keferl, Sally Obach

[E] Adrianna Wagner, Ed Camacho, David Weickert, Danielle Joseph, Phil & Bonnie Doepker, Jo North

### ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR MINISTERS OF SERVICE

## JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1<sup>st</sup> Reader – Christine Brown; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reader – Hazel Rountree

Petitions - Tom Hall

Extraordinary Ministers – Maxine Brooks, Marilyn Armstrong, Sharon Hairston, Jessie Campbell (R); Kim Brown, Joan Kline, Kathy Garrison, Mary O'Basuyi (L)

#### ST. BENEDICT CALL TO WORSHIP

| January 19, 2014 | Hazel Roundtree |
|------------------|-----------------|
| January 26, 2014 | Tom Hall        |
| February 2, 2014 | Youth           |
| February 9 2014  | Victoria Nored  |
| February 16 2014 | Camille Brown   |
| February 23 2014 | Ken Marcellus   |
| March 2, 2014    | Youth           |



## PRAY FOR OUR PARISH **MILITARY MEMBERS**



TSgt Timothy Scott Marcum, USAF; SSgt Justin Bentley, USAF; SrA Matthew Bauer, USAF; CPT Brian Hargis, US Army; SSG Lynn Jones, US Army; Saundra Ann Morrell, USN; Ronald Morrell Pruitt, US Army, Capt. Andrew J. Konicki, USMC.; SSgt Christopher DeWitt, USAF, Sgt Alex Zavakas, US Army, SSG Bill Himes US Army; PFC Michael V. Jackson, US Army, PVT Corey Taylor, US Army, Lt. Com. Ryan Jonathan Logan, USN, SGT Stephanie Lewis, US Army, PFC Solomon A. Smith, US Army, SrA Candice Smith, USAF, SR Aaron R. Gorby, USN; Capt. Michael Schloss, USMC, Davion A. Redd, USCG, Pvt Jacob Deis, USMC.

#### PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED SICK of SB



In our prayers, let us remember those in need of the Lord's healing mercy, especially: Mary Rowe, Carolyn Sallee, Andrew Lewis, Jackie Bristow, Brenda Lewis, Mae Wilkerson, Kenneth Bronston, Zadie Buckner, Mary Helen Spanish, Ruby Hobbs, Chuck Dewitt, Valerie Smith, Minnie Hollis, Phyllis Coley, Lora Singleton, Mark Wells, Gloria Patton and Ms. Gist.

#### ST. MARY ROOF REPAIR

Please use the envelope provided you for your contributions for the Roof Project. No donation is too small. Watch the thermometer in the back of church to see how fast we reach our target goal. We have already reached the 55.4% mark, but we still need \$27,891 more to reach our goal.

#### ST. ANN'S SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

As you make room to store your Christmas decorations, think of donating your extra items to the St. Ann's Spring Rummage Sale.

The sale is not until April 12 (mark your calendars) but it's never too early to donate items. You can bring items to the church during weekday office hours or to the hall on Monday evenings at 7pm.

### IN THE NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING FROM ST. BENEDICT AND ST. MARY PARISHES

Eddie Weaver Mary Scott Lavonne Barker Mary Scott

Mary Paschal Livingston Care Center

Artie Oliver Mercy Sienna

#### RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION

St. Mary recently received a thank you letter from Sr. Marilyn Kerber, SNDdeN, coordinator of the Religious Retirement collection for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

St. Mary parishioners generously donated \$1117 this past December. In her letter, Sr. Marilyn states about the retired religious sisters and brothers and retired priests, "we are still here being a presence and working among God's people.

The infirmed and elderly serve us all through their prayer and suffering. These members often show us how to live and how to die. In our society, there is real value to the witness of our care of the aged members."

Thank you to all who so generously donated.

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#### **2014 GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The 2014 Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2014 will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2pm at Immaculate Conception Church in Dayton. The celebrant will be Bishop Joseph Binzer.

Couples celebrating this milestone anniversary need to notify the parish office **BEFORE MARCH 3!!** Invitations to the 50th Anniversary Mass will be mailed out to couples who contact the parish offices. The invitations will contain an RSVP card and it is important that you return that card as soon as you receive it if you are planning on participating in the anniversary mass.

For couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th and 75th anniversaries, we will be glad to mail you a congratulatory scroll from Archbishop Dennis Schnurr. Just contact the parish offices by the same date - 3/3/14.

Again, please contact the parish offices prior to March 3, 2014 if you are celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary this year.

#### ST. VINCENT DePAUL FOOD PANTRY

We want to share with you the statistics from the St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry for the month of December. As you can see below, the needs are ever growing. Your continued prayers and contributions of food and monetary donations are greatly needed.

Food Assistance: 348 households = 1138 individuals Appliances: \$570 for 4 families = 16 people

Furniture: (Nov billing \$562) December requests 3 Utility assistance: \$805.30 for 8 families = 34 people

Additional food purchases: \$4056.14

Non-food purchases: \$1012.88

Travel aid (bus passes/tokens) \$55 for 1 family

**Total Volunteer hours: 549** 



#### **AREA FISH FRIES**

Friday, January 31
K of C Hall, 267 Bainbridge St
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Dinner 6-9pm; Games of Change 6-11pm
\$12 in advance; \$15 at the door
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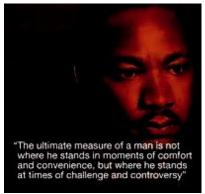
## St. Helen Booster Club Fish Fry

Saturday, January 25
St. Helen School Gymnasium
6-11pm; carry outs 5:30-7pm
\$12 in advance; \$15 at the door
Presale tickets available at The Barber Pole, the St.
Helen School or Parish offices
or by calling 937-532-3281.
Food, Games of chance and more. 21 or older!!

### **POINSETTIAS**

We are now back to ordinary time and the Christmas decorations gone...with the exception of the real poinsettias. Please feel free to take home a plant this weekend. Any poinsettia on the communion rail at St. Mary is "up for grabs".





I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with a new meaning, "My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring."

And if America is to be a great nation this must become true. So let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania!

Let freedom ring from the snowcapped Rockies of Colorado!

Let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California!

But not only that; let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia!

Let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee!

Let freedom ring from every hill and molehill of Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring.

And when this happens, when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, "Free at last! free at last! thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"

(Excerpts from the speech delivered by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on August 28, 1963 in Washington DC.)



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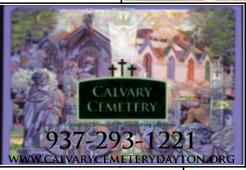
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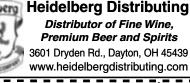


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