

2022
EASTER BLESSINGS



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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, May 7

5:00 p.m. Jerry Goode

SUNDAY, May 8

7:30 a.m. Dee Collins

9:30 a.m. Lawrence & Eleanor Huter and family

10:30 a.m. **Baptism** – Matthew James Norris

11:30 a.m. Ron Sweeney

MONDAY, May 9

7:45 a.m. Alton Ording

TUESDAY, May 10

7:45 a.m. Jack Black

WEDNESDAY, May 11

7:45 a.m. Jack Reddy

THURSDAY, May 12

7:45 a.m. Mike Treon

FRIDAY, May 13

8:30 a.m. Robert & Marjorie Sink

SATURDAY, May 14

2:30 p.m. **Wedding** – Colin Hawes & Amy Barlage

5:00 p.m. Gene Gretch

SUNDAY, May 15

7:30 a.m. Ruth Koverman

9:30 a.m. Pat Schlater

11:30 a.m. Sean Enright

For Mass times of churches throughout the United States, visit www.masstimes.org.

FR. ERIC – RAMBLINGS

A HUGE THANK-YOU TO FR. MICHAEL...

Over the past several weeks, I have thoroughly enjoyed reading Fr. Michael's bulletin articles. It is clear from the memories that he has shared what a HUGE impact he has had on our communities, but also, the HUGE impact we have had on his life.



From the first Skype call with Bishop Binzer, Fr. Michael, and myself, it was clear that Fr. Michael lived a life full of joy and love for the Lord, and the past five years has only confirmed his deep love for the Lord and his priestly vocation. When I think back over the past five years, my fondest memories of Fr. Michael are seeing him sitting in a dark church with his rosary in his hand, praying. He has challenged me; not by words, but by his actions, to be a better priest and for that, I am so very thankful.

Fr. Michael, thank you so much for your wonderful priestly witness, which you lived out each day in your love and care for the people of God. Thank you for a beautiful example of living the Great Commandment, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

THE RETURN OF THE PRECIOUS CHALICE TO MASS

With the return of the Precious Chalice to Mass, I would like to share with you a small portion of a letter from the archbishop to his priests regarding the practice of intinction. Intinction is the practice of "dipping the host in the chalice." The following is a portion from the letter explaining that this practice should not take place in our Archdiocese.

"The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states that the diocesan bishop may establish norms for the distribution of Holy Communion under both kinds (the bread and the wine). *This Holy and Living Sacrifice* states clearly: "While intinction by a minister (bishop, priest, deacon, not lay) is permitted, it is not the preferred form of distribution of Holy Communion in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati." Therefore, I discourage the practice of intinction in parishes in the archdiocese."

In light of this statement from the archbishop, the parishes of St. Patrick and Transfiguration will NOT be offering intinction as a form of receiving Holy Communion.

FR. MICHAEL'S VOICE

"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE"

Let us love our God and His church from where we can always hear His voice. Secondly, let us love and serve our families where you understand and experience His voice; then, finally, always pray for your priests, that they may continue to be His voice.

**MY NEW ASSIGNMENT IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD, INDIA:**

My new assignment in India is going to be Parish Priest, Maria Rani Church, [New quasi-Parish], Mariapuram, Hyderabad, Telangana state. Forty Catholic families are living under this parish, and the diocese believes there are a lot of scope for a good future parish. My diocese wishes and believes I can join with the people, build a new parish community, and build a new church by raising funds.

How far is your family from this parish? I am working in my neighboring state Telangana. It is around 394 miles away from my native village going to work. I always visit two times in a single year. My home address is A. Kattupadi Post, Vellore, Tamil Nādu, 623011. My new assignment Parish address is Maria Rani Church, Mariapuram, Hyderabad, Telangana State. The distance is 394 miles. By bus or train, it will take 14 to 15 hours.

Google maps: Mariyapuram Church, 6HP7+Q6C, Opposite TCS, Mariyapuram, Telangana 501510, India. **My Home:** A. Kattupadi, Tamil Nadu 632011, India

My request: Remember and pray for me, that I must continue to try hard to become a holy and faithful priest and serve God and His people with humility. Try this; just Google the translation in my mother tongue, **Tamil:**

ஒரு புனிதமான மற்றும் உண்மையுள்ள குருவாக ஆவதற்கும், கடவுளுக்கும் அவருடைய மக்களுக்கும் பணிவுடன் சேவை செய்வதற்கும் நான் தொடர்ந்து கடினமாக முயற்சி செய்ய வண்டும் என்பதனை நினைவில் வதைத்து, எனக்காக ஜெபிக்கவும்.

Finally, pray for my safe travel home. Thank you very much. Let us remain in Christ's love.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION EVERY TUESDAY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions from 6:00-7:00 p.m. We welcome you to come and spend some time in prayer and worship of Our Eucharistic Lord.

Effective May 9, 2022, the morning Confessions at both St. Patrick and Transfiguration will be suspended until further notice. We deeply apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Both parishes will continue the evening and the Saturday Confessions.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE**St. Patrick Confession Times:**

Tuesday: 6:00-7:00 p.m. with Holy Hour
Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Transfiguration Confession Times:

Thursday: 6:00-6:45 p.m.
Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT – APRIL 24, 2022

Sunday Masses	\$ 6,951.00
Sunday Mail-Ins	\$ 715.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 3,118.52
Total	\$ 10,784.52
Amount Needed	\$ 13,423.00
Variance (shortfall)	\$ (2,638.48)

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

**ROSES FOR MOTHER'S DAY**

Miami County Right to Life will have long stem roses available for a donation of \$2.50 after the Masses this weekend, May 7-8. Donations will be used to assist young families in Miami County. Thank you to all Mothers for all that you do.

CHURCH INFORMATION

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

3:00 p.m. Thursday for the following week; submit via email info@stpattroy.org.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
7:00-7:30 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m. In Church

Tuesday: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

With Holy Hour In Church

Anytime by appointment
(In Parish Office)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month,
10:30 a.m. following Mass

2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month,
12:30 p.m. following Mass

Saturday after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
with permission only

Attendance at the Baptismal Program is required – held every other month on the second Monday in January, March, May, July, September, and November at 7:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office to reserve a date for both program and Sacrament reception.

ANointING OF THE SICK

During Office Hours, call 937-335-2833.

Anointing between Sunday Masses with prior notice. In Emergencies or After Hours, call 937-335-2833.

MATRIMONY

Contact the Parish Office at least 8 months in advance; must be a registered parishioner at least 9 months prior to marriage. Preparation program is required.

CARE OF THE SICK

Visitation Ministers visit homes and nursing facilities with Eucharist for those unable to worship on Sundays. Facilities no longer share this information with the Parish Office. Help identify those in need of Visitation by calling the Parish Office.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is hospitalized. Hospitals no longer share this information with the Parish Office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Registrations are taken at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Registration form is also available on our website to complete and mail in to the Parish Office. When leaving the parish, please notify the Parish Office.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Parish Office when you have a change of address or phone number.

EVERY TONGUE

Reflection on Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

The story is told of a lady of the Baptist persuasion who appeared one Sunday in a Catholic Church for Mass and sat in the first pew (thereby giving herself away as there was no one in front of her to model Catholic calisthenics and appropriate church behavior). Having rattled a few of the faithful during the Liturgy of the Word, she stood after the homily and shouted "Hallelujah!" Immediately an usher was dispatched and enquired, "Is something the matter, Madam?" She replied, "Oh no, sir, nothing's the matter. I got religion!" "That may well be, madam," came the reply, "but you didn't get it here!"

Every person prays in their own language, and there is no language that God does not understand. We know that the Risen One, the Good Shepherd, cannot be contained, so we are called to reject any narrow views that are not large enough for God's mystery. In John's vision, the great multitude flocking before the throne of God was so vast it could not be counted, and was made up of those from "every nation, race, people and tongue." There will be many present that will surprise us, I sincerely hope, as your presence and mine will surprise others.

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, May 8, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52

Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5

Rev 7:9, 14b-17

Jn 10:27-30

Monday, May 9, 2022

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18

Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4

Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest

Saint John of Avila, Priest and

Doctor of the Church

Acts 11:19-26

Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Easter Weekday

Acts 12:24-13:5a

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8a

Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, May 12, 2022

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs

Saint Pancras, Martyr

Acts 13:13-25

Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27

Jn 13:16-20

Friday, May 13, 2022

Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 13:26-33

Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 14, 2022

St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

Jn 15:9-17

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

SAINT DAMIEN DE VEUSTER OF MOLOKA'I

Feast Day: May 10

Patron Saint of People with Leprosy

When Joseph de Veuster was born in Tremelo, Belgium, in 1840, few people in Europe had any firsthand knowledge of leprosy, Hansen's disease. By the time he died at the age of 49, people all over the world knew about this disease because of him. They knew that human compassion could soften the ravages of this disease.

Forced to quit school at age 13 to work on the family farm, Joseph entered the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary six years later, taking the name of a fourth-century physician and martyr. When his brother Pamphile, a priest in the same congregation, fell ill and was unable to go to the Hawaiian Islands as assigned, Damien quickly volunteered in his place. In May 1864, two months after arriving in his new mission, Damien was ordained a priest in Honolulu and assigned to the island of Hawaii.

In 1873, he went to the Hawaiian government's leper colony on the island of Moloka'i, set up seven years earlier. Part of a team of four chaplains taking that assignment for three months each year, Damien soon volunteered to remain permanently, caring for the people's physical, medical, and spiritual needs. In time, he became their most effective advocate to obtain promised government support. Soon the settlement had new houses and a new church, school and orphanage. Morale improved considerably. A few years later, he succeeded in getting the Franciscan Sisters of Syracuse, led by Mother Marianne Cope, to help staff this colony in Kalaupapa.

Damien contracted Hansen's disease and died of its complications. When Hawaii became a state in 1959, it selected Damien as one of its two representatives in the Statuary Hall at the US Capitol. Damien was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on October 11, 2009.

Read the full article: "Saint Damien de Veuster of Moloka'i" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-damien-de-veuster-of-molokai>. (Accessed 18 April 2022).

AROUND OUR PARISH

WEEKLY RAFFLE

Beginning in June, 2022, the new raffle tickets will start! Each registered household of the parish will receive a book of six tickets this month in the mail. Each ticket is \$20.00 or the book of six for \$100.00. Each week, a \$50.00 winner is drawn and if we sell 1,000 tickets, there will be a monthly drawing for a \$100.00 winner. Your purchased tickets are eligible to win throughout the entire year (June through the end of next May). This event typically grosses over \$19,000.00 for the parish, which is crucial to aid in supplementing our budget. Please support us! You may drop off your tickets to the office, place them in the collection, or mail them back in the return envelope provided. Any unused tickets may be returned to the office. Thank you!

*** WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER ***

April 25 – Denise Small

Month of April – Eric Koesters

NEW MEMBERS

Brandon & Megan Wilder

Tyler & Hannah Lacy and their daughter, Magnolia Grace

St. Patrick has been blessed to have new members register to be part of our parish. Please take a moment to welcome our new members into the St. Patrick Family.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the family of Ross Parker, who recently passed away. May his soul rest in the glorious peace of Heaven.

RICE BOWL

Rice Bowls can be turned in at the parish office, school or at CCD on Tuesday evenings. Thank you for sharing God's Love and changing the lives of others with your donation.

ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Did you know that St. Patrick's accepts electronic donations through VANCO? You can easily set up your desired contributions, payments of fees and more! If you would like to sign up, simply go to the parish website at www.stpatrick.org. Look for the green tab on the right side of the menu bar on the opening page that says, "Donate." You will be given options of where you would like to donate or pay fees along with frequency, dates, etc. You can also log in anytime to change or update your information. All electronic donations are recorded to your contributions for St. Patrick. This is a great and easy way to support your parish without having to remember your envelope and write a check!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Next weekend is Loose Change Collection for St. Vincent de Paul. After Mass, there will be representatives at the door of the church with red baskets to collect your loose change. All money collected is kept local for the people of Troy. Thank you for your generosity.



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS FOR PARENTS

Families preparing to have their child baptized must be registered members of the parish. First-time parents or those who have not attended a class in three years must plan to attend a preparation class.

To register for this free class, please call the parish office at 335-2833. Babysitting is available upon request.

Next class is Monday, May 9, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Room #3 in the Parish Center.

FUNERAL MASS PLANNING

Planning your funeral Mass ahead of time takes the stress off of your family. But even more importantly, if you think your family might not have a Mass of Christian burial for you, usually if you plan it ahead of time, they will do it for you. Your age does not have anything to do with when it is a good time to do this. If you would like to talk about this possibility, call Peg Menker at 937-418-3491 or Shirley Carlin at 937-689-6356 and we will assist you in this very important task.

ENCOUNTERING JESUS CHRIST

"Bringing The Holy Eucharist strengthens them, the words I hear most often are: THANK YOU FOR COMING!"

– Mary Jane Keeney, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion;
St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for the Homebound share the presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. If you are able to share your time with fellow parishioners at their home or a healthcare community, please contact Deacon John Carlin at 937-339-0726 or Ken Vendryes at 937-545-9197 for information. Couples or individuals may choose to visit one Sunday a month or one day each week. Thank you for your gift of time.

ST. PATRICK YOUNG ADULTS

The Saint Patrick Young Adult Group is planning some fun spring and summertime events. If you are interested in getting involved or would simply like to meet some friendly faces, please reach out to Matt Wagner at mwagner@stpattroy.org or Ellie Miller at emiller@stpattroy.org. If you have not been added to the GroupMe or Facebook group, please reach out to us again! The Saint Patrick Young Adult Group is open to those ages 21-35.

NOW HIRING

The NW-7 Family of Parishes (Southern Shelby County) is hiring a Coordinator of Sacramental Life. A full job description can be found at <https://resources.catholicaoc.org/job-openings>. The position is full-time. Interested candidates can send a résumé, cover letter, and references to info@holyyangelssidney.com.

RUAH WOODS DAYTON-AREA COUNSELING OFFICE

Desiring to experience the fruits of the Holy Spirit in a greater way in your life or relationship, including peace, patience and joy? Thought about counseling, but not sure where to turn or what provider will respect and uphold your Catholic faith? Discouraged by the potential need to drive to Cincinnati to pursue such services? Good news: With a location at the Transfiguration Center, Ruah Woods Psychological Services is bringing Catholic faith-informed mental health care to greater Dayton and beyond. Please call 513-407-8878 or visit us at RWpsych.org to learn more.



RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is for both unbaptized and baptized individuals who wish now to live their life in the tradition of the Catholic Church. For information, please contact Ken Vendryes at 937-545-9197 or ksvend80@roadrunner.com, or Susan Anderson at sanderson@stpattroy.org.

CCD

First Holy Communion for our St. Patrick School and CCD students was celebrated on April 30. It was a day full of joy.

**SCHOOL**

We crowned our Mother during the 9:30 a.m. Mass on May 1. Our special area for Mary will be up all of May. All are invited to come and bring her flowers. Vases are provided. Please, no potted plants.



Senior Mary Lins crowned Mary.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION


FULFILLED PART 2 – UNCOVERING THE BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS OF CATHOLICISM

Fulfilled explores the Biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. It uncovers God's consistent design for our worship of Him and His relationship with us. Learn how the Old Testament Tabernacle can be used as a blueprint for the Catholic Faith and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament. Part Two, *Drawn into the Divine Mystery*, focuses on elements of the inner sanctuary of the Tabernacle and how they connect to the Magisterium, the Eucharist, incense, Mary, and more. Even if you did not take part in Part 1, you are welcome to join us in Part 2, which has six Sessions.

Sundays, April 24-May 29 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Undercroft;
Wednesdays, April 27-June 1 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Undercroft.
For questions, contact Pat Smith at rsmith3055@aol.com or 937-335-2833, ext 2008.

The Traveling Shamrocks presents...

THE TRAVELING SHAMROCKS –LET'S TRAVEL AGAIN!

 It has been a while since we have traveled. Those of us who had planned to go to the Passion Play in Germany in 2020 are hoping to go there this September, and in October, our trip to the Holy Land with Fr. Eric is hopefully a go, too.

I have contacted Collette and asked for some trips we could maybe do in 2023. Here are some suggestions and if you are interested, please email me and let me know and I will get more information. Also, if you have some ideas, please add them. There is a plan to do **Hawaii in 2024** with Fr. Eric, so watch for those details next year.

NATIONAL PARKS OF AMERICA; 12 days; Cost: \$5,000.00; Includes airfare from Detroit (May-October) **Highlights:** Scottsdale • Lake Powell • Grand Canyon • Bryce Canyon • Choice on Tour • Zion • Salt Lake City • Jackson Hole • Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks • Old Faithful • Sheridan • Bighorn Mountains • Crazy Horse Memorial • Mount Rushmore

THE COLORADO ROCKIES; 9 days; Cost: \$3,000.00; Includes airfare from Cincinnati or Columbus (May, June, July, August, September). **Highlights:** Denver • Rocky Mountain National Park • Colorado National Monument • Grand Junction • Canyonlands National Park • Dead Horse Point State Park • Arches National Park • Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad • Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO) • Choice on Tour • Pikes Peak Cog Railway • Garden of the Gods

COLORS OF NEW ENGLAND; 8 days; Cost: \$3,500.00; Includes airfare from Detroit (September-October). **Highlights:** Boston • Woodstock • Quechee Gorge • Stowe • Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory • Rocks Estate • North Conway • Kancamagus Highway • Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise • Portland • Lobster Dinner
Please email Pat Smith at rsmith3055@aol.com if you have an interest in any of these trips. Also, if you have any suggestions, pass them along.

YOUTH MINISTRY

CCD CLASSES ARE COMPLETE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR.

For more information, contact Susan Anderson by email at sanderson@stpattroy.org.

***Totus Tuus*, Latin for "Totally Yours," is coming back this June to St. Patrick Church. Save the Dates:**

June 12-16	Grades 7-12	7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
June 13-17	Grades 1-6	9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

This was so much fun last year and we are looking forward to hosting again. Any families interested in hosting the team members or helping with meals and snacks, please contact Susan Anderson by email at sanderson@stpattroy.org. **Registration form can be found on the website or contact Susan Anderson.**

SAVE THIS DATE, TOO! St. Patrick Bible Camp for age 4-Kindergarten will be June 14, 15, and 16. Registration form can be found on the website or contact Susan Anderson.

MAY 2022 – HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Weekly Discipleship Cells in the Parish Center

- 8 – Off for Mother's Day
- 15 – D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.
- 22 – D Cell in the Parish Center from 12:30-2:30 p.m.
- 29 – Off for Memorial Day

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