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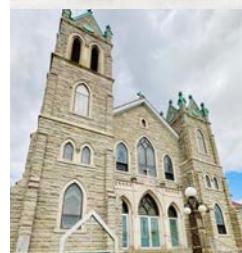
OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH ACCOMPANIES PEOPLE IN BECOMING DISCIPLES OF CHRIST  
THROUGH COMMUNITY, SACRAMENTS, SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER.



ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH (SB)



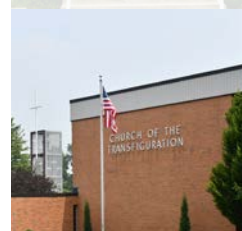
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH (SP)



ST. TERESA OF THE INFANT JESUS (ST)



CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION (TR)

## PRIESTS & DEACONS

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Fr. Eric Bowman, Pastor	Saturday	3:30 PM	SB
Fr. Isaiah Callan, Vicar	Saturday	5:00 PM	SM, SP, TR
Fr. James Duell, Vicar	Sunday	7:30 AM	ST, SP, TR
Fr. Steven Shoup, Vicar	Sunday	9:00 AM	SM
Fr. Joseph Kozar, Sunday Associate	Sunday	9:30 AM	SP
Dcn. John Carlin	Sunday	10:00 AM	TR
Dcn. Jim Niswonger	Sunday	10:30 AM	ST
	Sunday	11:00 AM	SB
	Sunday	11:30 AM	SP

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Cyndi Cathcart 937-339-3705

### CHURCHES

#### St. Boniface Catholic Church SB 937-773-1656

310 S. Downing Street, Piqua, OH 45356

www.piquaparishes.org

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

#### St. Mary Catholic Church SM 937-773-1327

528 Broadway Street, Piqua, OH 45356

www.piquaparishes.org

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

#### St. Patrick Catholic Church SP 937-335-2833

409 E. Main Street, Troy, OH 45373

www.stpattroy.org

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

#### St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus ST 937-473-2970

6925 W. US Route 36, Covington, OH 45318

www.stteresacovington.org

Hours By Appointment

#### Church of the Transfiguration TR 937-698-4520

972 S. Miami Street, West Milton, OH 45383

www.transfigurationcatholicchurch.org

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

### CHURCH INFORMATION

#### BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Deadline noon Thursday for two weekends ahead of that day. New submission instructions will soon follow. In the meantime, submit via email to office@tchurch.org.

#### BAPTISM:

By appointment only. Contact any Parish Office to schedule and for class location information. Class is required.

#### MATRIMONY:

Contact any Parish Office 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. Call any Parish Office to make arrangements.

#### HOMEBOUND:

Extraordinary Ministers can be arranged to visit homes and nursing facilities with the Eucharist for those unable to worship on Sundays. Please notify any Parish Office.

#### NEW MEMBERS:

We are happy to welcome new members to Our Lady of Fatima! Call any Parish Office for registration info.

#### CONTACT UPDATE:

Notify your registered Parish Office to update your address, phone number and email.

#### SAFE PARISH:

To volunteer with children within Our Lady of Fatima, you must be Archdiocesan compliant with the SafeParish program. Contact Susan at sanderson@stpattroy.org.

*Pastoral Council will be included soon.*

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

#### ST. CLARE ADORATION CHAPEL

Entrance is at the back of St. Boniface

Saturday, 6:00 a.m.-Thursday, 11:59 p.m.

Friday, 4:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

#### ST. PATRICK

Wednesdays following morning Mass to 7:00 p.m.

#### TRANSFIGURATION

Thursdays following morning Mass to 7:00 p.m.

# WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES	PARISH	PRESIDER	INTENTIONS	READINGS
<b>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11</b>				
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Boniface St. Boniface	Fr. Steve Fr. Bensman Fr. Eric Fr. Jim	Clarence & Lawrence Spade Atticus Ankerman †Betty Liddy Charismatic Mass with Healing Prayers	Col 1:24–2:3 Lk 6:6-11
<b>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12</b>				
7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	St. Patrick St. Boniface Transfiguration	Fr. Eric Fr. Jim Fr. Callan	Bill Hess †Johe Schweiterman †Charles Burkhart	The Most Holy Name of Mary Col 2:6-15 Lk 6:12-19
<b>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13</b>				
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary St. Teresa	Fr. Callan Fr. Steve Fr. Eric Fr. Jim	Melissa Wanemacher Steve White †Tom Johns Tom & Cathy Mayor (25th Wedding Anniversary)	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Col 3:1-11 Lk 6:20-26
<b>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14</b>				
8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Transfiguration St. Patrick St. Boniface St. Teresa	Fr. Steve Fr. Callan Fr. Eric Fr. Jim	Marian Pact Michael Barry †Kimberle Fowler †Jerry Strickroth	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
<b>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15</b>				
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	Fr. Callan Fr. Steve Fr. Jim	Ernie Vagedes †Clete McEldowney +Bill & Sharon Semanie (Wedding Anniversary Remembrance)	Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Jn 19:25-27
<b>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16</b>				
8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary St. Boniface St. Patrick St. Mary Transfiguration	Fr. Callan Fr. Callan Fr. Steve Fr. Callan Fr. Eric	†Virginia Rhoades †Patricia Hiser Dorothy Depwig †Kay Holler-Cox †Julie Shelley	Sts. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs 1 Tm 1:15-17 Lk 6:43-49
<b>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17</b>				
7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	*St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Teresa St. Mary *St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Teresa St. Boniface *St. Patrick	Fr. Kozar Fr. Eric Fr. Jim Fr. Callan Fr. Steve Fr. Eric Fr. Jim Fr. Callan Fr. Steve	Ray Guillozet White Family Grandchildren Marlene & Urban Zumberger †Doug Poling †Michelle Hudson Living & Deceased of TR †Kory Bachman Living & Deceased of SB & SM Linda Henry	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30–28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

† = Deceased \* =Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass

Weekday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. Masses are streamed at Transfiguration: [transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot](https://transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot).

## CONFESSIONS

CHURCH	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>ST. PATRICK</b>			6:00-6:45 p.m.			4:00-4:30 p.m.
<b>TRANSFIGURATION</b>				6:00-7:00 p.m.		3:30-4:30 p.m.
<b>ST. BONIFACE</b>					6:00-6:45 p.m.	
<b>ST. MARY</b>						9:00 a.m.
<b>ST. TERESA</b>		5:00-6:00 p.m.				



## FR. ERIC'S RAMBLINGS



### THE PRAYERS OF FATIMA

The first prayer that heaven taught to the children of Fatima was the Angel of Portugal, the Angel of Peace. It has been called the Pardon Prayer, but I like to refer to this prayer as the "Great Commandment" prayer. The Great Commandment from the Gospel, the Shema prayer from Deuteronomy, is to

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself." This first prayer is a simple reflection of the Great Commandment. The angel had the children bow their heads to the ground and repeat, *"My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You, and I beg pardon for those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love You."*

Our love, our hope, our faith is professed, and then our love for our neighbor inspires us to call out to God and beg pardon for those who do not have faith, hope and love.

The second prayer taught by heaven was again from the Angel of Portugal. This second prayer of Fatima is a Eucharistic prayer. The angel appeared to them and again invited them to bow their heads to the ground, as he suspended a Host in the air and chalice beneath the Host. The Host began to bleed, and drops of blood fell into the suspended chalice. The children repeated the following prayer in Adoration of the Holy Eucharist that they were about to receive. *"Most Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifferences whereby He is offended. And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners."*

Our worship, our Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, is worship of the very heart of the Trinity, the Second Person of the Trinity, who continually humbles Himself to become the Bread of Angels. So this Eucharistic prayer begins with the simple phrase, *"I adore Thee profoundly."* The definition of profound is "Penetrating or entering deeply into subjects of thought or knowledge; having deep insight or understanding; originating in or penetrating to the depths of one's being." In other words, our "profound" worship of the Trinity originates with the One we are worshiping: the Holy Trinity. Synonyms for profoundly include such beautiful terms as, "extremely," "exceedingly," "greatly," "immensely," "enormously," "intensely," just to name a few. But they each call us to that profound or intense worship of our Creator. We are called to offer to the Father, His Son – Our Divine Lover – who offered His life to the Father, on the Cross for our Salvation, so that we can know the Father in Heaven and spend eternity with the very Triune God who we worship profoundly.



Issue 1 on the Ohio ballot in November threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months.

**Join Catholics across Ohio in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena.**



The novena begins this Friday, Sept. 15, for the defeat of this dangerous amendment. The novena will begin with 9 days of praying the Joyful Mysteries.

Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers here ➡ or at [www.pray54ohio.org](http://www.pray54ohio.org)



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA MINISTRIES

### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Have you or someone you know experienced a desire to learn more about becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Our Lady of Fatima's Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA, formerly "RCIA") is for adults (those who have reached the "age of discretion") who are:

- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic faith.
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism or the Profession of Faith.
- Those who were baptized as infants, but didn't receive religious education, Confirmation or First Holy Communion.

This process guides you toward Easter Vigil for full initiation into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

For more information on how you can become initiated, and regarding children older than eight who have not received sacraments, please contact Our Lady of Fatima's Director of Religious Education, Susan Anderson, at [sanderson@stpattroy.org](mailto:sanderson@stpattroy.org), or contact any of the Our Lady of Fatima Church Offices. We look forward to journeying with you!

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

#### Bible Study – *What We Believe, The Beauty of the Catholic Faith*

Discover the amazing riches of the Catholic Faith. Sessions will begin Sunday, September 10, 6:00 p.m. or Wednesday, September 13, 9:00 a.m. The program runs on the same day of the week for 10 weeks. Please note the location change: St. Patrick Parish Center (444 E. Water Street, Troy), upstairs in Room 4. Order your study set at [ascensionpress.com](http://ascensionpress.com). Contact coordinator, Pat Smith, at [rsmith3055@aol.com](mailto:rsmith3055@aol.com) for questions.

### GRIEF PROGRAMMING

#### GriefShare

This is a weekly seminar/support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one by death. Next session starts this week! September 13-December 13. Offered weekly on Wednesdays, at either 1:00-2:30 p.m. or 7:00-8:30 p.m. Check out a session, or register at [griefshare.org/findagroup](http://griefshare.org/findagroup).

#### Surviving the Holidays

Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. for those facing the holidays after a loved one's death. It is a helpful, encouraging seminar featuring video interviews with counselors and grief experts, while you're surrounded by others who are experiencing similar loss as you.

You don't have to go through it alone. Both meetings are held in St. Patrick Parish Center, upstairs (444 E. Water Street, Troy). Contact coordinator, Pat Smith, at [rsmith3055@aol.com](mailto:rsmith3055@aol.com) or 937-335-2833 for questions.

### CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE (CCD)

Nicely aligned with the school year, CCD also kicks off now! Your K-6 student(s) is invited to join the program to grow in their Catholic faith ahead of and in between receiving his/her sacraments. Register for classes within Our Lady of Fatima's family:

- Tuesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD held at **St. Patrick** School. Register at [stpattroy.org](http://stpattroy.org).
- Tuesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Held at **Transfiguration** CCD Building (First class is September 12, 2023, Family Mass at 6:30 p.m.)
- Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Held at Downing Street Campus, **Piqua**. Register at [piquaparishes.org](http://piquaparishes.org).

To volunteer, for questions or to register your special needs child, please contact Our Lady of Fatima's Director of Religious Education, Susan Anderson, at [sanderson@stpattroy.org](mailto:sanderson@stpattroy.org) or 937-335-2833, ext. 2006.

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Your middle schooler and teen(s) have a community ready to learn, grow and live in their faith with him/her! Check out these awesome opportunities within Our Lady of Fatima:

All OLF – 6-8th Grades – **Bosco Nights\*** –  
Mondays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Lange Estate, West Milton  
Bosco Nights begin September 18 – Games & Saint Stories!

#### 7th Grade Confirmation Pre-Prep and 8th Grade Confirmation Prep

Parent & Student First Meeting:  
Sunday, September 10, 1:00-2:15 p.m.  
Held at **St. Patrick** School, Troy  
Tuesday, September 12, 6:30-7:45 p.m.  
Held at **Transfiguration** CCD Building, West Milton  
Wednesday, September 13, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Held at Caserta Center, **Piqua**

All OLF – 9-12th Grades – **Youth Group\*** Kick-Off  
Sunday, September 10, 5:00-8:30 p.m.  
at Lange Estate, West Milton

Regular Youth Group will be Sundays, 7:00-8:30 p.m., through May.

\*For all local school and Catholic school students.



## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

## 5:00 – 8:30 PM

For Our Lady of Fatima's teens (grades 9-12) and parents!

**5:00 PM – DINNER/PARENT KICK-OFF MEETING \***

**6:00 PM – GAMES**

**6:45 PM – SPEAKER/ADORATION**

**7:50 PM – BONFIRE**

\*Parents are requested for the first hour and are welcome to depart or stay for activities or at Lange Estate following the meeting.

To register  
or to stay in-the-know:



LANGE ESTATE  
3505 CALUMET RD.  
LUDLOW FALLS, OH 45339

CONTACT:  
[COE@TCHURCH.ORG](mailto:COE@TCHURCH.ORG)  
937-703-2798



"Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure."  
-Pope Saint John Paul II

For questions, to register or to volunteer, please contact Our Lady of Fatima's Director of Youth Ministry, Annie Canavan, at [coe@tchurch.org](mailto:coe@tchurch.org) or 937-703-2798.



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## “CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH” RETREAT

*Jesus said, “Come by yourselves to an out-of-the-way place and rest awhile.” (Mark 6:31)*

How often do we think about doing something for ourselves spiritually – refocus our priorities and lives? A parish retreat focused on personal renewal and ultimately, renewal as a spiritual community.

That is exactly why St. Boniface and St. Mary Catholic Churches are offering the “Christ Renews His Parish” Retreat (CRHP), a retreat for women. Registration brochures available in the vestibule.

### Where and When...

The retreat will be held at the Downing Street Campus, 218 S. Downing Street, from approximately 7:00 a.m., Saturday to 7:00 p.m., Saturday, October 21, 2023.

### For more information, contact:

- Barb Coffing at 937-214-8400 or LBC@Coffingam.com
- Patty Murphy at 937-418-0450 or pmurphy@woh.rr.com
- Cathy Oda at 937-773-7008 or cjbeda@aol.com
- Cindy Zimmerman at 937-541-9533 or sallypup@yahoo.com
- Barb Kohl at 937-773-9205 or bkohl@woh.rr.com

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Monday, September 11

- 12:00 Noon St. Mary Altar Society – Lighthouse Café
- 6:00 p.m. Mission Meeting – NSC Meeting Room (Former Front Office)
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. Handbells practice SB
- 7:30 p.m. Charismatic Mass SB

### Tuesday, September 12

- 7:00 p.m. St. Clara Ladies Meeting – SB Room

### Wednesday, September 13

- 12:00 Noon Dollars for our Scholars – Miami Centre Mall
- 1:00-3:00 p.m. SB Stitchers – Upstairs DSC
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD – Caserta Center
- 6:00-7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class – Caserta Center
- 7:00-8:00 p.m. St. Mary Choir Practice – SM
- 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Joint Meeting – ST

### Thursday, September 14

- 9:00 a.m.-Noon CFEL & Piqua Catholic School Grandparents Day

### Saturday, September 16

#### Second Collection weekend at all Masses:

#### St. Mary Help-A-Student &

#### St. Boniface Maintenance & Preservation

- 2:30-3:00 p.m. St. Boniface Choir Practice – SB

In the future, this calendar of events will be found at the entrances of the Piqua churches or at piquaparishes.org.

Save These

DATES

St. Boniface Parish

Oktoberfest

Friday, September 22 - 5-11 pm

Saturday, September 23 - 4:30-11 pm

German & American Foods

Games / Prizes / Raffles

& MORE

Watch the bulletin for additional info.

Volunteer to HELP by contacting

Dave Butt, 541-9291 or davidbutt83@gmail.com

Please purchase/sell Major Award Raffle Tickets received in the mail.

“Celebrating Our German Heritage”

## 2023 OKTOBERFEST DONATIONS

Can you help defray our costs? Please donate any of the following: Canned Pop – Regular/Diet; Bottled Water (16.9 fl.oz.); Uncle Ben's Original Rice; Beans (#10 can, regular cut); Powdered Sugar; Sauerkraut (can/jar); Styrofoam Containers (3 compartment); Cake Wheel: Home-baked items (cakes, brownies, etc.); Children's Area: Cookies, Stuffed Animals, Fish Pond Prizes; BBQ Chicken Dinner Sides: Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls. Pumpkin Patch: Please consider donating a gift card, theme basket, crafts or other homemade items, household goods, etc. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office or pick-up can be arranged. Please contact David Butt at 937-541-9291 for more information. We thank you for your donations! Please place them in the box on the back porch of the Parish Offices by Friday, September 15. Or, please contact Rose Hemm at 937-778-8642 (call/text) or jnrhemm@yahoo.com to arrange pick-up. If you are donating BBQ Chicken Dinner sides, please sign up with Rose and bring these items to the Caserta Center on Friday, September 22 or on Saturday, September 23 by noon. The potatoes and beans do *not* need to be baked. Baked goods can be brought at this time, too, or an hour before the Festival starts each day or during the Festival hours. Please consider donating your time. Booth workers, set-up/tear-down help are needed. Please contact Dave Butt at 937-541-9291 or davidbutt83@gmail.com. Monetary donations are certainly most welcome, ofcourse. Check made payable to St. Boniface Oktoberfest. Please keep this endeavor in your prayers.

Thank you,  
The Oktoberfest Committee

## ST. BONIFACE & ST. MARY



### REST IN PEACE

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ole Anderson**. May God grant him peace and grant comfort to his loved ones. Amen.*

If a parishioner passes away, please call the Parish Office for inclusion in the bulletin.



### ST. CLARE ADORATION CHAPEL

St. Clare Chapel is open for visitors but not operating perpetually. We are seeking individuals who want to deepen their relationship with Jesus through being a regular or **substitute** guardian of our Most Blessed Sacrament.

Call/text Mike Epperly at 937-622-0112 or call Mary Jane Karn at 937-778-0496 for more information about what works best for you! We **love** our substitute guardians, but we are in need of more people to help out. As a substitute, it is based on your schedule and interest!

PLEASE CALL TODAY!

### PIQUA CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Parish members/groups are invited to submit news for publication in the parishes' quarterly newsletter. Feel free to report on past activities (July, August, September), or promote what's happening during the next three months (October, November, December).

They are mailed/emailed to registered members. To submit story ideas for the Fall Issue, email content to Rose by Monday, September 11 at jnrhemm@yahoo.com, or deliver to the Parish Offices or 2120 Hemm Road.

### BINGO UPDATE

Please support the St. Boniface Bingo on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and games start at 7:00 p.m.

**Please help with Bingo.** Call Dan Fortman at 937-570-4767. Help is always appreciated; the money helps the general fund and also children at Piqua Catholic with tuition subsidy.

### PIQUA CHURCHES' CONTACTS

#### Prayer Chain

Gretchen Roeth

937-778-0325

gngroeth4266@gmail.com

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. MARY

#### Saturday, September 16 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	Vincent Karn, Joshua Richard, George Staley
Extraordinary Ministers	Mary Jane Karn, Andrea/Trent Karn, Aubri Karn, Becky Hewitt
Lectors	S. Ginny, Karen Wendeln
Sacristan	Tina Watts
Ushers	Ron Ventura, Pat Larger, 2 Volunteers

#### Sunday, September 17 – 9:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	Christopher, Sam, & William Galbreath
Extraordinary Ministers	Cameron, Mike, Robbie, & Torri Foster
Lectors	Eden Merrifield, Bob Hartings
Sacristan	Angie Cecil
Ushers	Steve Kalmar, Robert Foster, Doug Francony, Volunteer

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. BONIFACE

#### Saturday, September 16 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	Bill Daniel, Delaney & Dana Johnston
Extraordinary Ministers	Barbara Brush, Kathy Henne, Robbie Webb, Karen Warner
Lectors	Cheryl Herbe, Jerry Herbe
Sacristan	Barbara Brush
Ushers	Chuck Peltier, Joan Wright, Paul Penny, Diane Penny

#### Sunday, September 17 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	Aga Polakowski, Augustus Richard, Sara Staley
Extraordinary Ministers	Karla Cool, Carrie Garman, Donna & Greg Johnson
Lectors	S. Mary Alice, Mark Garman
Sacristan	Mary Ellen Buechter
Ushers	Volunteer, Jody Josefovsky, Tom Jenkins, Marv Cool

## ST. PATRICK

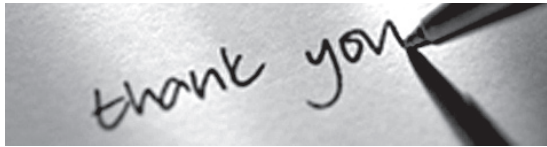
### ST. PATRICK ROOF REPAIR

Progress on the church's roof repair is being made as we are on track for a late-fall completion. We are grateful for the care, attentiveness and one-day clean up that the restoration company provided following a recent storm that blew the construction tarp from the roof. They ensured that worship was not interrupted beyond the first rainy day.

We are also thankful for the financial assistance that our church continues to be blessed by! Additional gifts are greatly appreciated and will reduce the amount of funding that is required from St. Patrick's savings.

### A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

Trent & Gina (Grusenmeyer) Gordon  
and children: Trinity, Gwen, Gavin & Tabitha



### MINISTRY FAIR THANK-YOU

Thank you so much to all those who set up a table to display their ministries; we truly appreciated your time and wonderful displays. This is such a wonderful way for our parishioners to see all the ministries we offer here at St. Patrick and to show appreciation to those who make them happen. Hope all that came enjoyed and found a ministry to support.

A special thank-you to Kevin Hess and the Knights of Columbus for grilling hot dogs, Kona Ice and Happy The Clown for his balloon art and adding some fun to the event. Also to Brooke, who gave of her time to paint some cute faces on the kids; Lori for having a little project for kids to make; and Annie for having a little fishing pond. Thanks also to the Adult Faith Formation Team who helped with planning and Sue Hastings for her amazing organization.

A very special thank-you to Dave and Pat Cartwright who helped to set up all the tables and chairs and to the Young Adult Group and others who helped tear down. Without all this help, we could not have done it. Congratulations to those who won one of the door prizes. Thank you to Brent Black for donating the Blackstone Griddle grill, those who donated gift cards, Meals by Eloquence Catering, plus Evelyn's Chocolate candies.

Blessings to all.

### SAVE THE DATE

**Trunk or Treat: October 28** – More details to follow!

### WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER

**August 27 – Bill Johnston**  
**Month of August – Jay Moeller**



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### Save-the-Date

## The Black & White Affair

**November 4, 2023 | 6:00 p.m.**

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### SCHOOL-RELATED

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### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS FOR PARENTS

Families preparing to have their child baptized must be registered members of our parish family. First-time parents must plan to attend a preparation class. To register for this free class, please call the St. Patrick Parish Office at 335-2833. Babysitting is available upon request.

Next class is Monday, September 11, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Room #3 in the St. Patrick Parish Center (located behind the school, 444 E. Water Street).

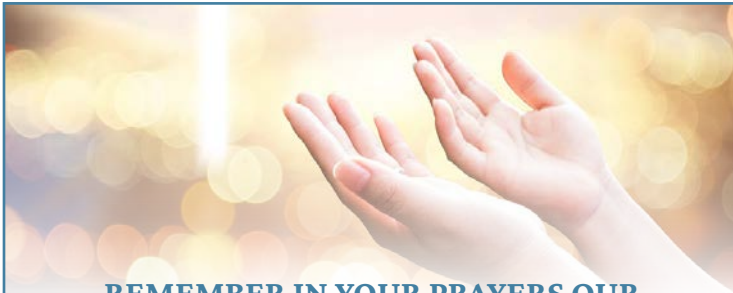
### LITTLE FLOWERS AND BLUE KNIGHTS

Come and join Little Flowers and Blue Knights. Children between the grades kindergarten and 5th grade are welcome to join in learning about the saints and virtues. We will play games, do crafts, and learn how to defend the faith and do little things with great love. There is a new time this year for the group; it will take place immediately after 9:30 a.m. Mass and go until 11:45 a.m. The Blue Knights will be in the gym and are looking for some more adult males to help lead the group. The Little Flowers will be in the cafeteria. We look forward to seeing your child at the first meeting on October 1 at 10:30 a.m.

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



## TRANSFIGURATION



### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR PARISHIONERS IN NURSING HOMES:

*Garbry Ridge:* Betty Marchal

*Brethren Retirement Community:* Rosemary Davis

*Brookhaven:* David Smith

*Grace Brethren:* Ida Burkett

*Foundations:* Dwight Hogle

Please keep the Church Office updated if you know of other parishioners in local nursing homes.

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS – TRANSFIGURATION

#### Saturday, September 16 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	O. Sanders, D. Harrison
Extraordinary Ministers	V. Daum, K. Kehrer, R. Burns
Lectors	J. French
Sacristan	C. Crabtree
Ushers	G. Steele, C. Crabtree, B. Denlinger, Volunteer

#### Sunday, September 17 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Mergler, R. Dzendzel, R. Gallegos
Lectors	T. Sollenberger
Sacristan	R. Dzendzel
Ushers	N. Craport, D. Brown, A. Brown, R. Gallegos

#### Sunday, September 17 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers	L. McCartan, T. Canavan, M. Schubert
Lectors	R. Latino, J. Fisher
Sacristan	R. Dzendzel
Ushers	R. Winkler, J. Artin, E. Hummel, Volunteer

### TRANSFIGURATION CONTACTS

Prayer Chain	Shelly Thompson	937-698-4520
Altar Rosary Society	Rosalie Dzendzel	937-698-3251
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**Sat. Oct. 14**

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## TRANSFIGURATION CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL (LANGE ESTATE)

### ROSARY WALK

The last Rosary Walk at the Lange Estate will be Sunday, September 17, 2023. The Rosary Walk begins at 4:00 p.m. followed by dinner and fellowship. Please bring a dish or dessert to share, and the Estate will provide the meat and drinks. See you then!

## ST. TERESA



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus Council 15424 will meet on Monday, September 25th, at 7:00 p.m.

### ST. TERESA CONTACTS

<b>Shelter Rentals</b>	Alex Moore	937-473-2970.
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### LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. TERESA

#### Sunday, September 17 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	Need Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	Need Volunteer
Lectors	Need Volunteer
Sacristan	–
Ushers	August Otte

#### Sunday, September 17 – 10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	Need Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers	Dawn Boehringer
Lectors	Maria Coate
Sacristan	–
Ushers	Landon Coate, Need Volunteer

## SCHOOLS

### “CELEBRATING PIQA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COOKBOOK”

Timing is Everything! The “Celebrating Piqua Catholic School Cookbook” proceeds could not have come at a better time for the school. These proceeds were used to help with the needed improvements to the cafeteria at the Downing Street Campus. The Cookbook Committee is happy to report that we have just a few cookbooks left from the 450 ordered. We intend to order more cookbooks and to keep selling them until after Christmas, 2023. The Lord does provide!

### PIQA CATHOLIC CAFETERIA WORKERS

#### SEPTEMBER 11-15:

Monday	Connie S. Don & Gloria
Tuesday	Marv & Karla, Andrea, S. Ginny
Wednesday	Dawn C., Darren, Craig
Thursday	Amber, Bill & Ellen, Darren
Friday	Brandy, Donna, Sher

### PIQA CATHOLIC SCHOOL DAILY DRAWING WINNERS:

#### SEPTEMBER 11-15:

Peggy Henthorn  
Marge Elson  
Debbie Flinn  
Carley Terry  
Linda Larger



### MEET THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone! I'm Chris Knight and it's my great pleasure and honor to serve as the President of Lehman Catholic High School. I have 25+ years of Catholic school leadership experience in the Toledo and Cleveland dioceses and I'm happy to now be a part of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Archbishop Schnurr told me that Lehman is one of the “most Catholic schools in the Archdiocese” and that is something we should all be proud of. I'm also glad that Lehman is a “partner school” with Holy Angels in Sidney, Piqua Catholic, and St. Patrick School in Troy and I look forward to strengthening that partnership in the days ahead. As you likely heard, the expansion of the EdChoice Scholarship program provides a scholarship of some amount to EVERYONE and now the cost to attend Lehman, and every Catholic school, is no longer an obstacle. I am grateful for the strong community support Lehman receives and I welcome a chance to meet with you. My email is [c.knight@lehmancatholic.com](mailto:c.knight@lehmancatholic.com). Meanwhile, expect to hear news from Lehman in the coming weeks about student-centered programs and mark your calendar for our Open House on November 15.



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