

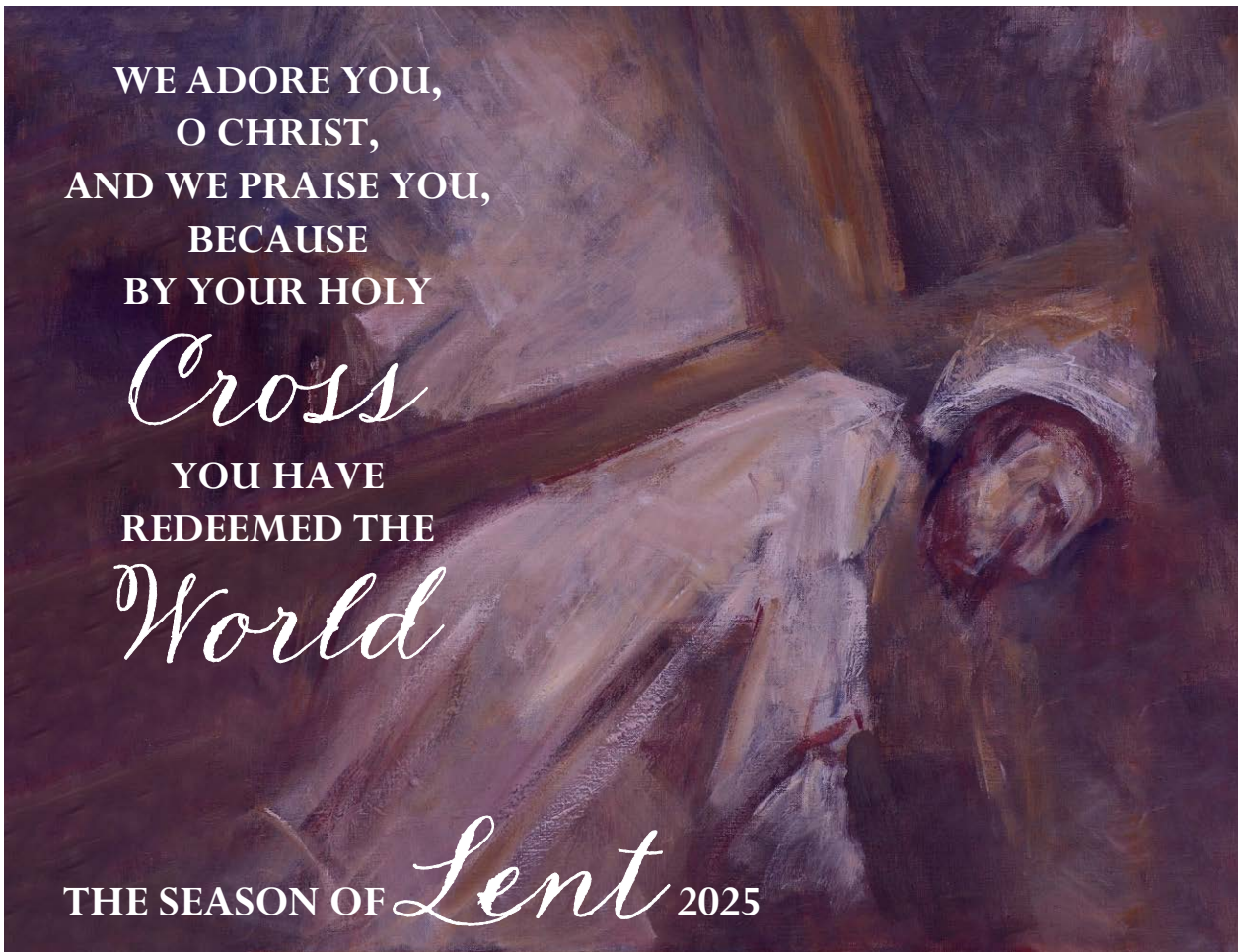


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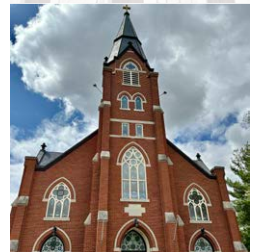
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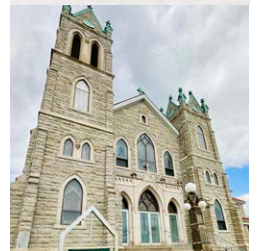
OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES ACCOMPANIES PEOPLE IN BECOMING DISCIPLES OF CHRIST THROUGH COMMUNITY, SACRAMENTS, SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER.



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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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- 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 until 7:00 p.m.
- TRANSFIGURATION**
 Thursdays following morning Mass until 7:00 p.m.

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CHURCHES

St. Boniface Catholic Church	SB	937-773-1656
310 S. Downing St., Piqua, OH 45356		www.piquaparishes.org
Monday-Thursday		8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
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St. Mary Catholic Church	SM	937-773-1327
528 Broadway St., Piqua, OH 45356		www.piquaparishes.org
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Friday		8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
St. Patrick Catholic Church	SP	937-335-2833
409 E. Main St., 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 Rt. 36		www.stteresacovington.org
Covington, OH 45318		Hours by Appointment
Church of the Transfiguration	TR	937-698-4520
972 S. Miami St.		www.transfigurationcatholicchurch.org
West Milton, OH 45383		
Monday-Friday		9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

BULLETIN ENTRIES

Bulletin content submissions are due two Thursdays prior to the weekend it's needed or sooner. See the one-stop OLF bulletin submission link on any of our church websites.

CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- BAPTISM** Class is required, by appointment.
- 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** To volunteer with children within Our Lady of Fatima, you must be Archdiocesan compliant and registered with the SafeParish program.
- PARISHIONER CONTACT INFO** Be sure to keep your address, phone number and email up-to-date!

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SP Jennifer Kloeker		

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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIME	PARISH	PRESIDER	INTENTION	READING
MONDAY, MARCH 17				
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. John MacQuarrie	†Maynard Francis	St. Patrick, Bishop Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Jerry Bensman	†Dave Parmenter	
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. Eric Bowman	†Rita McGreevy	
TUESDAY, MARCH 18				
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Eric Bowman	Greg & Monica Gross	St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 1:10, 16-20 Mt 23:1-12
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. James Duell	†Rylan Soroño-Mutzner	
12:00 p.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. John MacQuarrie	†Jerry Huber	
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19				
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Steven Shoup	†Linda Pulskamp	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Jerry Bensman	†John Brown	
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	Fr. Isaiah Callan	Earyle & Nancy Woodard	
8:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	Fr. James Duell	†Leonard & Alvina Peltier	
THURSDAY, MARCH 20				
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. John MacQuarrie	Our Priests & Religious	Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31
8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Steven Shoup	†Repose of the soul of Max Nelson	
8:30 a.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. Isaiah Callan	†Tom Olds	
8:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	Fr. James Duell	Living & Deceased of the Mayor Family	
FRIDAY, MARCH 21				
7:45 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Isaiah Callan	Poor Souls of Purgatory	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
8:15 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Steven Shoup	Emma Wintrich	
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	Fr. James Duell	†Peggy Littleton Weitzel	
SATURDAY, MARCH 22				
8:30 a.m.	St. Mary	Fr. James Duell	†Jim Apple	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
3:30 p.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. Eric Bowman	Living & Deceased of SB & SM	
5:00 p.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Isaiah Callan	†Julia O'Reilly Mangen	
5:00 p.m.	St. Mary	Fr. Eric Bowman	†Stephen King	
5:00 p.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Steven Shoup	Living & Deceased of the Brown Family	
SUNDAY, MARCH 23				
7:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Isaiah Callan	†Mike Chaney	Third Sunday of Lent Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Lk 13:1-9
7:30 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Steven Shoup	Living & Deceased of TR	
7:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	Fr. James Duell	Living & Deceased of ST	
9:00 a.m.	St. Mary	Fr. Eric Bowman	†Fr. Angelo Caserta	
9:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Isaiah Callan	Living & Deceased of SP	
10:00 a.m.	Transfiguration	Fr. Steven Shoup	†Tom Serey & Bonnie Ventura	
10:30 a.m.	St. Teresa	Fr. James Duell	†Rita & Greg Holthaus	
11:00 a.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. Eric Bowman	Happy 90th Birthday, Mary Tulanko	
11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick	Fr. Joseph Kozar	†Beverly Slack	
6:00 p.m.	St. Boniface	Fr. Eric Bowman	PARISH MISSION	

\$ = 2nd Collection † = In Memoriam * = Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass
All weekday and Sunday Masses are streamed at Transfiguration: transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot.

EXTENDED CONFESSIONS FOR LENT

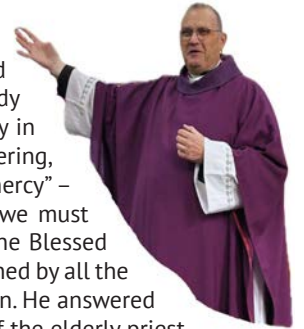
CHURCH	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ST. PATRICK			5:00-7:00 p.m.			4:00-4:30 p.m.
TRANSFIGURATION				5:00-7:00 p.m.		4:00-4:30 p.m.
ST. BONIFACE					6:00-8:00 p.m.	
ST. MARY						9:15-9:45 a.m.
ST. TERESA		5:00-7:00 p.m.				

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. ERIC'S RAMBLINGS – STATIONS OF THE CROSS

13TH STATION: JESUS IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS

Before the last steps leading you to the sepulcher, O Jesus, you rest for a moment in peace in the arms of Mary, like a son tired after an overly long day. It was also the "day" that the Father had assigned to you a good day's work, and now He is ready to take you back with Him. Like Mary, also the Heavenly Father holds you to His breast and already murmurs: "My Son you are yourself; today I have generated you!" The Virgin Mother silently holds Your dead body in her arms in faith, hope and charity. In her, we see the image and the model of the Church, which, in joy and suffering, continuously generates the children of God and awaits their resurrection. O, Lord, may we, Your ministers, have "mercy" – mercy for Your eternal sacrifice which we must daily renew holding You in our hands; mercy for those whom we must generate as Your children, accompanying them on the Passion and preparing them for the life of resurrection. The Blessed Fr. Titus Brandsma in the Dachau concentration camp gave his poor crown of the Rosary to the nurse, hated and scorned by all the prisoners because she injected them with phenic acid. "I don't know how to pray!" replied the woman with irritation. He answered gently: "You don't have to say the whole Hail Mary, only 'Pray for us sinners.'" And she never again forgot the face of the elderly priest to whom she had brought death. She said afterwards: "He took pity on me!" She had killed him, but He had generated her in grace.



14TH STATION: JESUS IS LAID IN THE SEPULCHER

In Mary, the Church has welcomed You forever in her arms and awaits the miracle. In the dark tomb, Your body lies watched by the Trinity, and in the pure silence, the dialogue of Resurrection takes place. The heart of the Father was pierced by Your (Jesus') prayer, when You asked, "With a loud shout and tears to be freed from death," and the Father, who, "Always grants Your wish" cannot allow "His Saint to see corruption." Thus, in the night of the sepulcher, as He already did in the darkness of the cave in Bethlehem (upon His birth), the Father, again, generates You in the power of the Holy Spirit. Neither the great sealing stone nor the guards placed to watch the tomb could prevent the transubstantiation of Your body into the resurrected body. Since then, all Your faithful have accepted, in Baptism, that they are "buried with You," in order to arise with You. Thus, St. Damian de Veuster descended into the lepers' colony of Molokai – then, considered "the cemetery and hell of the living" – and from the first sermon, embraced all those unhappy people saying simply, "We lepers." And to the first sick person who said, "Be careful, Father, You might get my disease," he replied: "I am my own, if the sickness takes my body away, God will give me another one." O Lord, may we stay before Your sepulcher in adoring expectation, like Mary, the woman who gave You in advance "the scented oil for the burial" and Mary, whom You chose as the first witness of Your Resurrection.

3/7	3/14	3/21	3/28	4/4	4/11
SM 5-7p	SM 5-7p	SM 5-7p	SM 5-7p	SM 5-7p	SM 5-7p
TR 6-9p	ST 4-7p	SP 5-7p	ST 4-7p		SP 5-7p
					ST 4-7p

IS HIRING!

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**PRIESTS' WEEKEND MASS ROTATION
March 2025**

Fr. Steve Shoup	Church of the Transfiguration West Milton 5PM, 7:30AM, 10AM
Fr. Isaiah Callan <small>Sunday Associate Fr. Kozar</small>	St. Patrick Troy 5PM, 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM
Fr. Jim Duell	St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus Covington 7:30AM, 10:30AM
Fr. Eric Bowman	St. Boniface / St. Mary Piqua SB 3:30PM, 11AM SM 5PM, 9AM

Daily Masses (weekdays/Saturday morning)
will remain the same.

ST. MARY (SM) | PIQUA
\$12 - Adults | \$10 - Seniors & Carry-out | \$8 - 12 yrs & under
All you can eat!

ST. PATRICK (SP) | TROY
\$12 - Adults | \$10 - Seniors & Carry-out | \$8 - 12 yrs & under
All you can eat!

TRANSFIGURATION (TR) | WEST MILTON
\$15 - Adults | \$8 - Ages 4-12 | FREE - 3 & Under
Doors open at 6 PM! "Horse Racing," 50/50, Games of Chance!

ST. TERESA (ST) | COVINGTON
\$10! 3-piece dinner! Plus, bake sale & homemade desserts!

Join us on March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation, as we meditate on the mystery of the Incarnation in a unique way. "Nine Months with Christ in the Womb" draws our attention to Jesus, the God-fetus, during the nine months He lived within Mary. In meditating on the mystery of Christ's humility in the womb, we foster within all Christians a new appreciation for the dignity of our brothers and sisters. (Follow His journey in the womb through December in these special reflections relating social justice issues.)

See the 2025 Lenten Resource on OLF church websites for ways you can engage more deeply into your faith through studies, Scripture, prayer and reconciliation – all within your church community – this Lenten season.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES
PARISH MISSION
MARCH 23-26, 2025

Devotionals · Keynotes · Mass · Relics · Music · Fellowship

Sun, 3/23 6 PM | Sunday Mass | SB

Hope in His Holy Name with Fr. Eric Bowman

Mon, 3/24 4 PM | Holy Hour | St. Clare Chapel

OLF Praise Team

6:30 PM | Penance Service | SM

Hope in the Lord's Mercy with Fr. Dennis Chriszt

Tues, 3/25 6 PM | Stations, Mass, Pizza Party | SP

Hope through Suffering with Alex Wallace, MA, LMHC, LPCC-S

Stations led by OLF Schools

Welcome, CCD Families!

Wed, 3/26 6:30 PM | Vespers, Mass | TR

OLF Schola, Vespers led and taught by Matt Wagner

Finding Joy through Hope with Mary Pyper

Welcome, CCD Families!

A SOCIAL with refreshments is provided each night!



HOPE

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES

PARISH MISSION

MONDAY, 3/24 | HOPE IN THE LORD'S MERCY - PENANCE SERVICE

GUEST PRESENTER: FR. DENNIS CHRISZT

Fr. Dennis Chriszt, C.P.P.S. is a Missionary of the Precious Blood, having been ordained in 1982. He graduated with a Masters of Divinity with a Word and Worship specialization. He served as formation director for his church community and completed his Doctor of Ministry with a concentration in liturgy. He has served his community as vocation director and preaches at retreats and parish missions, conducting workshops on the Christian Initiation of Adults. He taught sacramental theology and methods of evangelization in Tanzania. He was appointed Director of Worship at St. Charles Center in Carthage, Ohio in 2024.

Fr. Dennis was designated a Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis on September 12, 2024, receiving special faculties to absolve sins that are otherwise restricted to the Holy See. Fr. Dennis has written three books on the Christian Initiation of Adults and was a contributor to Catechumenate magazine and several other publications.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES

PARISH MISSION

TUESDAY, 3/25 | *HOPE THROUGH SUFFERING*

GUEST PRESENTER: ALEX WALLACE

Alex Wallace is a husband and father of four. He works as a counselor with Ruah Woods Psychological Services and has 12 years of clinical experience, serving the needs of individuals in various settings. He holds credentials as a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor with training supervision designation (LPCC-S) in Ohio and a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) in Indiana. Alex is particularly passionate about supporting and collaborating with individuals, couples and families who are navigating challenges, grieving a loss or yearning to heal. Alex and his family attend the Church of the Transfiguration in West Milton.



OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES

PARISH MISSION

WEDNESDAY, 3/26 | *FINDING JOY THROUGH HOPE*

GUEST PRESENTER: MARY PYPER

Mary Pyper has been married for 36 years to Tom (her St. Joseph) for 36 years and is mother to five sons. She is employed as the Associate Director of Parish School of Religion for St. Luke, St. Brigid, St. Paul, St. Augustine Catholic Churches, churches of St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes. She also serves as the Bible Study leader for "Women of Faith" – a program with more than 70 women from 14 parishes.

Mary is the Treasurer and Past President of the Board of Directors of Radio Maria USA. Radio Maria USA is part of a worldwide network of Catholic radio stations founded in 1987 as an instrument for the New Evangelization under the patronage of Mary, the Star of Evangelization. They offer a voice of hope and encouragement 24/7 in full communion with the magisterium of the Catholic Church. She is the host of the "Marian Apparitions" radio program.

Mary was the recipient of the 2024 New Fire Award, the Evangelization Team Award from the AOC Center for the New Evangelization. She has lead International Catholic Pilgrimages for youth, adults and families, has served on the AOC's Communication Committee and has been involved with the evangelization team for Medical Mission to Ethiopia.



Due to unforeseen circumstances, Br. Mauricio Torres will no longer be able to leave Columbia or his work at the Totus Tuus Orphanage to present at OLF's Parish Mission. He sends his love, prayers and sincere apologies. Please pray for him and his mission work.

See more about the March 22 Adult Faith Formation Retreat in the St. Mary/St. Boniface section of the bulletin.

MINISTRIES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OCIA:

Is God calling upon you? If you (or someone you know) is interested in having a deeper relationship with God through the Catholic faith, the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) program is the place to begin. Call one of Our Lady of Fatima's five churches, or send questions/interest to sanderson@stpattroy.org.

CCD:

OLF K-6th CCD Programs

K-6th | ST. PATRICK | TUESDAYS, 6:00-7:00 P.M.

K-6th | TRANSFIGURATION | WEDNESDAYS, 6:00-7:00 P.M.

Questions: sanderson@stpattroy.org | 937-335-2833, ext. 2006

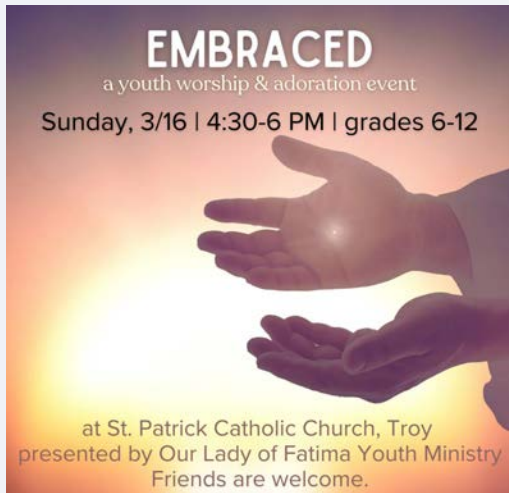
OLF 7th-8th CCD

7th-8th | ST. PATRICK | SUNDAYS, 5:00-6:00 P.M. (Rec time 4:30 p.m.)

7th-8th | TRANSFIGURATION | WEDNESDAYS, 6:00-7:00 P.M. (Rec time 5:30 p.m.)

Questions: natalierohlfs@hotmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY



THIS WEEKEND! Attention: Piqua Catholic, St. Patrick Catholic School, Lehman, CCD families: EMBRACED is for all students, grades 6-12! All 7th/8th grade CCD, Youth Group, Bosco will be replaced by this event on March 16. (No 7th/8th CCD at Transfiguration on March 19 either so that students can attend this special activity instead.) Friends are welcome!

Youth Group* | Grades 9-12 | Sundays, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Transfiguration Youth Building

Rec | Snacks | Fellowship | Faith & The Eucharist



St. John Bosco, pray for us!

Parishioners, pray for our young people!

*Youth Ministry programs for all local school and Catholic school students.

ST. BONIFACE & ST. MARY

THANK YOU!

Delores and I would like to express our deepest thanks and gratitude for everyone in our parish who prayed and supported us during my three-year prostate procedure. Thanks to everyone, your prayers had a positive and a healthy conclusion last October. My Deepest Gratitude, Robert Kiefer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. BONIFACE

Saturday, March 22 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	D. Johnston, D. Johnston, F. Friend
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Brush, L. Ventura, K. Warner, R. Webb
Lectors	R. Curtis, T. Burnside
Sacristan	B. Brush
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, Volunteer, P. Penny, D. Penny

Sunday, March 23 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	P. Schmidt, L. Woehrmyer, C. Zimmerman
Extraordinary Ministers	V. Pierson, H. Sever, L. Stotler, A. Woehrmyer
Lectors	O. Hudge, S. Mary Alice
Sacristan	D. Decknadel
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, Volunteer, M. Cool

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. MARY

Saturday, March 22 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	D. Richard, H. Sherman, G. Staley
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Kohl, E. Merrifield, J. Mikolajewski, Dcn. Jim
Lectors	B. Hewitt, G. Fulks
Sacristan	B. Elliott
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, Volunteers

Sunday, March 23 – 9:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	A. DiPace, C. Herbst, E. Verrill
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Karpinski, M. Koon, D. Lee, K. Lee
Lectors	T. Anderson, C. Buecker
Sacristan	G. Stonerock
Ushers/Greeters	R. Foster, S. Kalmar, D. Francony, P. Jenkins

ST. BONIFACE & ST. MARY



HOPE: CHARITY FOR THE POOR a Saturday morning Lenten Retreat

March 22, 2025 | 9:15 a.m.-12 p.m.
St. Mary Catholic Church and Cafeteria
528 Broadway, Piqua

Retreat Theme

Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year of Hope! This beautiful morning retreat allows us to learn what the Pope encourages, finding new beginnings for one another, for the poor and for the earth. Sister Dorothy Stang relics were honored in the relic ceremony in Rome part of the S. Egidio community. Her name is listed with the Propagation of the Faith.



Pope Francis
Author of Laudato Si'



Sister Dorothy Stang
Sisters of Notre Dame
de Namur

Come hear the story of Dorothy Stang, of Dayton, Ohio, and come learn about "Laudato Si: On Care for our Common Home" by Pope Francis. Special honor will also be given to our missionaries in Chile, Ted and Marija Gutman-Gonzalez, winners of the Spirit of Dorothy Stang Award for 2024.

Retreat Facilitators

Ft. Steve Shoup, Vicar, Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes
Sister Judi Clemens, SNDdN, Personal Friend of Sister Dorothy

Bring your family and friends. Mass (8:30 AM) optional, continental breakfast and childcare will be provided. Free-will donation taken for the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. RSVPs are encouraged to Barb Kohl, AFF chair, at bkohl@woh.rr.com.

This retreat is sponsored by Our Lady of Fatima Adult Faith Formation (AFF).

\$7-A-MONTH CLUB RAFFLE

an annual membership program to benefit OLF religious education.
March winner: **Andy & Dianna Burner**

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PIQUA CATHOLIC DAILY DRAWING

March 10-March 14 - **Katherine Seagraves, Stacey Earhart, Martha Murphy, Earl Sever, Karen Warner**

THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS – ST. CLARE ADORATION CHAPEL

With the season of Lent upon us, plan to visit the St. Clare Chapel and experience the quiet from the noise of the materialistic world! St. Clare Chapel is open for visitors from Saturday, 6:00 a.m. until Thursday at midnight and from Friday, 4:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Keep the devotion of Adoration alive in our blessed chapel, visit Jesus, and please consider being a regular or substitute guardian:

Monday 3:00 a.m.
Tuesday 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 2:00 a.m.
Friday 1:00 p.m. (beginning in April)
Saturday 11:00 a.m. (weeks 3, 4, 5)
Saturday 8:00 p.m. (every other week)
Sunday 12:00 midnight, 3:00 a.m., 4:00 a.m.

To inquire about available hours, contact Mike Epperly at 937-622-0112 (day guardians) or Mary Jane Karn at 937-214-0476 (night guardians).

LENTEN RAFFLE

We are familiar with "giving up" something during Lent. It is important to do something positive as well. This is your chance to do something that can really benefit the St. Mary Help-A-Student Fund. The Lenten Raffle tickets have been mailed to all parishioners of St. Mary. Additional tickets can be obtained for \$5 each from the office or church entrances. The top prize is \$500 with the drawing to be held on the last Fish Fry, April 11 in the North Street Campus cafeteria at Piqua Catholic. Thank you for your support!

"MY PEACE I GIVE YOU"

(John 11-21) – ("The Six Weeks with the Bible" book) will be offered in Piqua by OLF Adult Faith Formation. The book is \$7.95 when requested. Two options:

1:00 p.m. | Began **Wednesday**, March 12 | Piqua Public Library
Contact Barb at bkohl@woh.rr.com or 937-773-9205.

7:00 p.m. | Began **Tuesday**, March 4 | Caserta Center
"St. Boniface Room," 218 S. Downing Street

Contact Diane at mengosdiane@gmail.com or 937-974-7488.

ST. PATRICK

ALL-DAY ADORATION AT ST. PATRICK

All-day Adoration at St. Patrick now has a time especially for children and families! **Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. will be a Children's Holy Hour.**

- All parishioners and visitors are still welcome at this time, just know there may be some additional noise during this hour.
- Parents and caregivers, bring your little ones to Adoration, no need to worry about their noise and fussiness.
- Stay as much or as little of the Holy Hour as you'd like.
- Coloring pages and crayons are available at the church entrance.

Let's welcome our growing families, and, as the Body of Christ, show our little ones how to pray and to spend precious time with Jesus!

"WHEN WE PRAY: A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD"

Sundays: February 23-April 6 | 6:00 p.m.

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Wednesdays: February 26-April 9 | 9:00 a.m.

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Visit ascensionpress.com/whentheyoupray for more details and to order the workbook/book.

Register with Pat Smith: rsmith3055@aol.com.

LENTEN PRAYER ANGELS

A prayer program at St. Patrick Catholic Church

1. Write your name and address on the paper, and place it in the provided container at church.
2. When the pile increases, draw another parishioner/person's paper from the container to become his/her "Lenten Angel."
3. Pray for that person through Lent, and feel free to mail card(s) with kind words of faith, support and an expression of prayer. Remain anonymous, or reveal your name when ready.

ST. PATRICK

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. PATRICK

Saturday, March 22 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	L. Barsotti, G. Sherman
Extraordinary Ministers	A. McDonough, T. Muir, K. Shanesy
Lector	S. Knight
Sacristan	K. Shanesy

Sunday, March 23 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	D. Russel, L. Subler
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Lehrter, B. Groff, R. Groff
Lector	J. Gigandet
Sacristan	J. Lehrter

Sunday, March 23 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	T. Behm, O. Poeppelman, E. Taylor
Extraordinary Ministers	A. Gutman, S. Behm, J. Taylor
Lector	A. Andrejcio
Sacristan	J. Taylor

Sunday, March 23 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	W. Rippey, C. Yahl
Extraordinary Ministers	M. Lauer, Dcn. John, D. Wolfe
Lector	T. Cianciolo
Sacristan	D. Wolfe



REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Gordon Alexander & Maynard Francis**. May God grant them peace and grant comfort to their loved ones. Amen.

ST. PATRICK CONTACTS

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Prayer Chain	Sue Hastings	937-339-2945
	shastings@woh.rr.com	

WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER

March 10 – **Deb Huelskamp**
Month of February – **Tom Snurr**

*Raffle winners are announced in the bulletin two weeks after the drawing. Winners are notified separately.

WELCOME OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

Andrew & Lindsay Schneider, Adria, Davin & Tyson



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ST. TERESA CONTACTS

Shelter Rentals	Alex Moore	937-418-8884
Prayer Chain	Anne Vanderhorst	937-473-5497

“GREEN EGGS AND HAM” BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus Council 15424 is hosting a free “Green Eggs and Ham” breakfast at St. Teresa on Sunday, March 16, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please join us!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council 15424 will meet on Monday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m. We are accepting applications to the Catholic Church’s largest fraternal organization. For a limited time, you can become a full 3rd degree Knight in 30 minutes and the first year membership is waived! If interested, call Joe Speer at 937-216-6768.

“THE SEVEN LAST WORDS”

An EWTN video will be viewed at St. Teresa’s parish hall. Thursdays, 3:00-4:00 p.m., March 20, 27 and April 3. Contact Rita Mayor at 937-405-9682 for info. A participant study guide will be provided. In the case of severe weather, class will be cancelled.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ST. TERESA

Sunday, March 23 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Server	Volunteer
Extraordinary Minister	E. Clark
Lector	K. Bartley
Ushers	C. Wehner, Volunteer

Sunday, March 23 – 10:30 a.m.

Altar Server	R. Vanderhorst
Extraordinary Minister	E. Vanderhorst
Lector	E. Vanderhorst
Ushers	K. Rindler, A. Moore

Please note that we will not have Doughnut Sunday in March or April. It will resume in May.

COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHEON SERIES

St. Teresa is participating in the Covington Community Lenten Luncheon Series 2025. All events will be held at Covington Church of the Brethren on the lower level. Our week is Tuesday, March 18 at 12:00 p.m. Fr. Duell will speak on the topic “The Betrayer: Judas Iscariot,” and St. Teresa will prepare and serve the meal immediately following.

TRANSFIGURATION

FISH DONATIONS

FRIENDS IN SERVICE FOR HUMANITY – FISH of Union Township is in need of products such as tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, bars of soap, shampoo and conditioner and cleaning products. Please place donations in the FISH container in the vestibule. Thank you!



REST IN PEACE

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

TRANSFIGURATION

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – TRANSFIGURATION

Saturday, March 22 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	O. Sanders, D. Harrison, F. Harrison
Extraordinary Ministers	V. Daum, C. Crabtree, L. Albright
Lector	D. Albright
Sacristan	C. Crabtree
Ushers	T. Paxton, J. Ruffing, T. Bushong, M. Bushong

Sunday, March 23 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Williams, D. Kramer, R. Gallegos
Lector	S. Schaurer
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	N. Craport, R. Gallegos, J. Stutz

Sunday, March 23 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	G. Moore, J. Moore
Extraordinary Ministers	T. Fisher, M. Olenchuk, M. Hummel
Lectors	C. August, M. Schubert
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	L. Manson, C. August

“EXPLAINING THE FAITH”

A video series will be shown at Transfiguration Wednesday mornings during Lent after the 8:15 a.m. Mass in the conference room. View the series, and enjoy discussion and light breakfast refreshments. Contact Bill or Angie Platfoot at 937-877-6174 with questions.



*NEW! “SOUP & STATIONS”

Family-Friendly! 6:00 p.m. | Fridays | March 14-April 11 | Soup & Stations Nights* 5:00 p.m. Family-Style Meal – All are welcome. Bring a meatless soup or side to share. Water and place settings provided. 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross – Don't fret if your little ones make a peep; they are welcome! This is a sign of a growing Church! What an opportunity for our church community to teach our children the faith, the Passion of Christ and to model positive church behavior and prayer.

TRANSFIGURATION CONTACTS

Prayer Chain	Melinda Wanat	937-698-4520
Altar Rosary Society	Rosalie Dzendzel	937-698-3251
Men's Prayer Group	Mike Schubert	937-776-9082
Homebound Ministry	Mary Allen	937-269-2558
Welcome Committee	Donna Mergler	937-760-1389



Art & Craft Night

Thursday, March 20 | 7:00 p.m.
Tea Cup & Saucer Craft

Please bring the following items:

Tea cup & saucer and items to decorate with such as: small flowers, small animals, sea shells, small fairies, buttons, beads, etc.

Extras to bring: glue or glue gun



45TH ANNUAL WEDDING CELEBRATION

Congratulations to the married couples who were celebrated at the Church of Transfiguration this month! The dinner, entertainment, conversation and meal were lovely. A special “thank you” is shared to the coordinators, volunteers, priests and emcees who made the evening beautiful.

“There is no greater force against evil in the world than the love of a man and woman in marriage. After the Holy Eucharist, it has a power beyond anything that we can imagine.” – Cardinal Raymond Burke

A special celebration of marriage is one that would like to be extended to the entire Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes community! Several of the churches have made efforts with this in the past. To make the most of our resources, venues and planning time, and, if volunteers would be interested in helping make this happen, we will look to set this in motion for 2025-2026. Please contact Melinda at office@tchurch.org or 937-698-4520 by June 1 if you can share your volunteer time for this. (No event date has been set.)

Congratulations on Your Marriage! Here are a few images of the joy! John & Anita Ankerman | Maria & Michael Olenchuk | Sandy & Dave Miller | Lil & Hank Deneski | Michael & Shirley Schubert | Jerome & Carol Hemmerle | Annie & Patrick Hughes | Christy & Troy Canavan | Ken & Catherine Serey | Angie & Bill Platfoot | Tom & Sharon Fisher | Alex & Sarah Wallace | Alexandra & Peter Schreck | David & Mary Kramer | Del & Lori Albright | Jerry & Pat Reese | James & Sheila Bole | Don & Sandy Zerkel | Jerry & Ellen Stutz | Mike & Donna Trego | Rocco & Carol Latino




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