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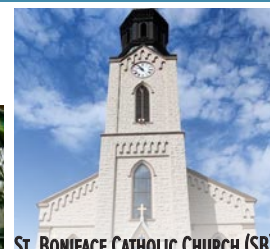
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES ACCOMPANIES PEOPLE IN BECOMING DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.

**PASTOR:** Fr. Eric Bowman | **VICARS:** Fr. Isaiah Callan, Fr. Steven Shoup  
**SUNDAY ASSOCIATE:** Fr. Joseph Kozar | **DEACONS:** John Carlin, Jim Niswonger



*"(Jesus) wishes to establish devotion to my Immaculate Heart in the world. I promise salvation to those who embrace it; and these souls will be beloved of God like flowers arranged by me to adorn His throne."*  
 – Second Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, June 13, 1917



**ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH (SB)**  
 310 S. Downing St. Piqua 45356  
 937-773-1656 | piquaparishes.org  
 M-Th, 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
 F, 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.



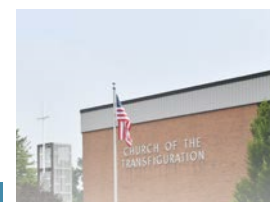
**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)**  
 528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356  
 937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org  
 M-Th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
 F, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



**ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH (SP)**  
 409 E. Main St. Troy 45373  
 937-335-2833 | stpatricktroy.org  
 M-Th, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



**ST. TERESA OF THE INFANT JESUS (ST)**  
 6925 W. US Rt. 36 Covington 45318  
 937-473-2970 | stteresacovington.org  
 Hours by Appointment



**CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION (TR)**  
 972 S. Miami St. West Milton 45383  
 937-698-4520  
 transfigurationcatholicchurch.org  
 M-F, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY MASS

	Vigil	Sunday
SB	3:30 PM	11:00 AM
SM	5:00 PM	9:15 AM
SP	5:00 PM	7:30 AM   9:30 AM   11:30 AM
ST		7:30 AM
TR		7:30 AM   10:00 AM

## CONFESSION

	Monday	SB	11:15-11:45 AM
	Tuesday	ST	4:00-5:00 PM
	Wednesday	SP	6:00-6:45 PM
	Thursday	TR	6:00-6:45 PM
	Saturday	SM	9:15-9:45 AM
	Saturday	SP	4:00-4:30 PM

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

SP	Wednesday	8:30 AM-7:00 PM	St. Clare Adoration Chapel – Located behind St. Boniface Saturday, 6:00 AM-Friday, 12:00 AM; Friday, 4:00 AM-9:00 PM
TR	Thursday	9:00 AM-7:00 PM	

**Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes!** (OLF) If you are visiting or new to the area, we are a faith-filled Catholic community that is comprised of five Roman Catholic churches, two Catholic schools and a beautiful spiritual center within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (NW-6 region). We accompany people in becoming disciples of Christ.

On behalf of pastor Fr. Eric Bowman, our clergy, staff and parishioners, you are invited to grow in your faith and even closer to Jesus along with us. Resources, ways to become involved and times and places of worship can be found within the bulletin and by utilizing the contact list toward the back section. To register for a church, please contact the church office manager. If you are interested in learning more about the faith, please contact a priest, the religious education department or me. Follow "Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes – Ohio" on Facebook to connect even more.

*Natalie Pohltz*

Executive Director of Pastoral Services

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OFFICE!

#### PARISHIONER CONTACT INFO

Be sure to keep your address, phone number and email up-to-date with your registered church, so you don't miss important things.

#### BAPTISM – *Congrats, New Parents!*

Class is required, by appointment. Prior to baptizing your child, register for your required Baptism Class: [pcartwright@stpattroy.org](mailto:pcartwright@stpattroy.org), 937-335-2833. OLF Baptism Classes are held at St. Patrick Parish Center (white building behind the school), upstairs Room 3.

**NEXT CLASS: SEPTEMBER 8!**

#### 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.

## RESOURCES

#### OUR LADY OF FATIMA PASTORAL COUNCIL

The five-church Pastoral Council invites faithful parishioners to nominate members or to self-nominate. Please contact Robyn Gallegos, president, at [rgallegos@frontier.com](mailto:rgallegos@frontier.com) | 937-409-7101 to be added to the rolling nomination list for Pastoral Council's consideration and potential appointment as vacancies arise in the future. Pastoral Council typically meets for an hour once per month, approximately nine or ten months per year. The term limit is typically three years with consideration for renewal.

**Purpose:** *Striving to be missionary disciples, Pastoral Council provides a platform to share support, concerns, praises and liaising to pastoral leadership so that the Church can continue to be strengthened. Pastoral Council participates in interactive exchanges, serves as a voice of the people and allows for additional accountability for the parish's strategic plan goals.*

#### CHECK OUT FORMED!

If you are looking for good, wholesome Catholic programs, movies, books and resources for you and your family, be sure to check out FORMED. It is a free gift to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes. Please take advantage of it! Visit [stpattroy.formed.org](http://stpattroy.formed.org). Simply enter "St. Patrick, Troy, OH," your name and email. Everyone can use it!

## BULLETIN

**Find the BULLETIN SUBMISSION link on any of Our Lady of Fatima's church websites!** There's an easy-to-use link to submit bulletin content, due two Thursdays prior. The link is the only method to submit, and it ensures consistency in the content collected and proper preparation time prior to the printing process. If you have a question, please call 937-698-4520. Scan the QR code to the right.



Except for the advertising pages on the back (that are managed and maintained by Dee Printing), the **OLF bulletin is the same at each of five churches.** There is an "EXTRA" page of bonus content on the Transfiguration and St. Teresa editions, since there are fewer advertisers in those smaller cities. It's advertisers' choice if they opt to purchase advertising space from multiple cities. Thank you to our community advertisers! We are glad to patronize your businesses.

Troy and Piqua parishioners can peek at the "EXTRA" last page by visiting [www.transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/sunday-bulletins](http://www.transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/sunday-bulletins).

## HOW CAN I HELP?

*Connecting you & your family to Volunteer Opportunities within OLF*

**CONTACT A CHURCH OFFICE TO LEND A HAND!**

#### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

- Fatima Day Sponsors (September 28)
- Liturgical Ministers (all churches)  
*Sacristans | Servers | Eucharistic Ministers | Lectors*

#### TRANSFIGURATION

Homebound Ministry, Adorers for Thursday Adoration

#### ST. PATRICK

Sacristans for all Masses (1.5 hours), Day-of-Wedding Facilitators, Funeral Planning Facilitators, Adorers for Wednesday Adoration (1 hour), Collection Counters (1 hour)

#### ST. MARY

2026 St. Mary Festival Volunteers, Day-of-Wedding Facilitators

#### ST. TERESA

Sacristan, Ushers, Servers

#### ST. BONIFACE

Oktoberfest helpers (Oct. 2-3), Day-of-Wedding Facilitators

**FIND THE WEEKEND MASS  
& PRIEST SCHEDULE ON  
OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
CHURCH WEBSITES, OR  
SIMPLY SCAN THIS CODE  
WITH YOUR CAMERA:**





## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIME	PARISH	INTENTION	READING
<b>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8</b>			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Boniface St. Teresa	†Dave Cartwright Will Kishman †Don Gordon <b>Charismatic Healing Mass</b>	<i>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23</i>
<b>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9</b>			
7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	St. Patrick St. Boniface Transfiguration	†Marcy Hare †Mary Jane Marshall †Lori Albright	<i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i> <i>Col 2:6-15</i> <i>Lk 6:12-19</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10</b>			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m.  8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration  St. Mary	†Jim Couchman <b>†Purgatorian Mass:</b> †Lori Albright †Ted Hummel †Kory Bachman	<i>Col 3:1-11</i> <i>Lk 6:20-26</i>
<b>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11</b>			
8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Transfiguration St. Patrick St. Boniface	†Gary Pierron †D. Scott Mason †Eleanor Thoma	<i>Col 3:12-17</i> <i>Lk 6:27-38</i>
<b>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12</b>			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Leona Mencsik Atticus Ankerman †John Joseph Albert	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i> <i>1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14</i> <i>Lk 6:39-42</i>
<b>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13</b>			
8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary St. Boniface St. Patrick St. Mary	†Kathy Kiefer Herbe & Schneider Families †Melissa Wannamacher †Matthew Koon	<i>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> <i>1 Tm 1:15-17</i> <i>Lk 6:43-49</i>
<b>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14</b>			
7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Teresa St. Mary St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Boniface St. Patrick	†Ray Guillozet Holy Souls in Purgatory John & Barb Stiner †Jim & Susie Apple †Carol Scott †Lori Albright †Steve Lutz †Tom Heckman	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> <i>Nm 21:4b-9</i> <i>Phil 2:6-11</i> <i>In 3:13-17</i>

\$ = Second Collection   † = In Memoriam   \* = Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass  
All weekday and Sunday Masses are streamed at Transfiguration: [transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot](https://transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot).

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION

**SEPTEMBER 2025** – *For Our Relationship With All Creation*

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

*Our Father | Hail Mary | Glory Be*

## OLF CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

at St. Teresa, Covington | 7:30 PM

9/8 & 10/6

*If Mass should need to cancel, attempts to hang a sign on the church door and/or to post the cancelation on the Our Lady of Fatima Facebook page will be made.*

## FR. ERIC BOWMAN RAMBLINGS

*Immaculate Heart of Mary & Our Lady's Promise*

### *Fatima Day - September 28, 2025* OUR CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

On July 13, 1917, Our Lady of Fatima showed the three children a vision of hell. Following that vision, she revealed the following:

*"You have seen hell, where the souls of sinners go. It is to save them that God wants to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If you do what I tell you, many souls will be saved, and there will be peace. This war will end, but if men do not refrain from offending God, another and more terrible war will begin. "You have seen hell, where the souls of sinners go. It is to save them that God wants to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If you do what I tell you, many souls will be saved, and there will be peace. This war will end, but if men do not refrain from offending God, another and more terrible war will begin... To prevent this, I shall come to the world to ask that Russia be consecrated to my Immaculate Heart, and I shall ask that on the First Saturday of every month Communions of reparation be made in atonement for the sins-of the world.*

*"If my wishes are fulfilled," the Lady continued, "Russia will be converted and there will be peace...But in the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she will be converted, and the world will enjoy a period of peace. In Portugal the faith will always be preserved. In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph." (Fatima in Lucia's own words)*

In this message from Our Lady to the children, I would like to draw our attention to a repeated phrase: *"In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph."* When we speak of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we are not just referencing a beautiful picture of Mary and her heart surrounded by flowers, nor are we simply discussing crowning a picture or statue of Mary. The Immaculate Heart of Mary refers to the interior life and virtues of the Virgin Mary, emphasizing her purity, love for God, and compassion for humanity. It's a devotional concept that highlights her profound spiritual life, including her joys and sorrows, and her role as the Mother of God. Devotion to her Immaculate Heart finds its roots in the Gospels, in particular Luke 2:19, "And Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart."

In Lucia's third memoirs, she devoted a short chapter entitled: "Jacinta and the Immaculate Heart of Mary." She writes, "A little while before going to hospital, Jacinta said to me, 'It will not be long now before I go to heaven. You will remain here to make known that God wishes to establish in the world devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary...Tell everybody that God grants us graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary; that people are to ask her for them; and that the Heart of Jesus wants the Immaculate Heart of Mary to be venerated at His side. Tell them also to pray to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for peace since God has entrusted it to her. If I could only put into the hearts of all, the fire that is burning within my own heart, and that makes me love the Hearts of Jesus and Mary so very much.'"

To see the importance of honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we turn to the words written by Cardinal Ratzinger in his theological commentary on the third secret of Fatima in which he stated, "To be 'devoted' to the Immaculate Heart of Mary means, therefore, to embrace this attitude of heart, which makes the *fiat* – 'your will be done' – the defining center of one's whole life."

## MENTAL WELLNESS FOR THE FAITHFUL

Peace be with you. The words from Jesus this weekend can, and should be, a bit scary. "Depart from me..." This might draw up feelings of rejection. However, He calls us to strive, and I would like to invite you to pursue belonging. "And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God." In this passage, and many other places in scripture, God helps us to understand how we, and so many "of every language," belong. We belong to Him. No matter where we come from, we belong. What a powerful and delightful desire and feeling it is to belong. In therapy, we say that "belonging is becoming." As a child who experiences belonging in a cared home of parental love, we, too, can take risks to trust and scale the heights when we know we belong and matter to the One God who loves us. We belong to Him. You belong to Him. Come and see.

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## CHRIST IN THE WOMB

**Week 25**, Jesus will blink for the first time later this week. Dark eyelashes are growing in, and He weighs about two pounds.  
*Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!*

## OLF MINISTRIES

### YOUTH MINISTRY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PRESENTS

**Sept 14, 2025  
10 AM  
@Transfiguration  
West Milton  
ALL AGES!**

**Youth & Teen  
MASS**

LITURGICAL ROLES SERVED BY YOUTH - TRADITIONAL & PRAISE  
MUSIC WEAR A DAMASCUS SHIRT IF YOU WANT!  
COFFEE + DOUGHNUTS FOR ALL AFTERWARDS

A PARISH-WIDE EVENT FOR STUDENTS, THEIR  
FAMILIES, PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS!

CONTACT PAT 937-335-2833 BY SEPTEMBER 8 FOR YOUR  
CHILD TO HAVE A LITURGICAL PART IN THE MASS!

**\* GREETERS, USHERS, LECTORS, SERVERS,  
SINGERS ( + DOUGHNUT HELPERS )**



DAMASCUS

### OLF NEWS FLASH!

It's time for 2026 Damascus Summer Camp (formerly CYSC) registration! New this year, Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' (OLF) campers will get to **REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP STARTING NOW** – ahead of the October general registration! If you have been part of the OLF “group block” emails in the past, you should have received an email with more details on how to register. To be included on these announcements, send a message to [staceyearhart3@gmail.com](mailto:staceyearhart3@gmail.com). A limited block of bunks have been secured just for OLF students and friends! First-come, first-served.

*Save-the-Date*

2026 Damascus Summer Camp  
**Week 3 – June 21-26, 2026**

Reminder: For students who will be incoming  
6th-12th graders  
during the next (2026-2027) school year.  
(Current year's 5th graders, this means YOU!)

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** For High School Youth Group & Bosco Night (Jr. High) Youth Ministry Coming Soon! Download the Remind App to get quick messages and reminders, too!

High School Youth Group  
click link, or: [81010 @ba389ek](https://www.remind.com/join/81010/ba389ek)

Bosco – Junior High Youth  
Ministry click link, or: [81010 @39fkhh](https://www.remind.com/join/81010/39fkhh)

### MUSIC & LITURGY

#### THIS WEEKEND AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASSES...

Contributed by: Matt Wagner, Director of Music & Liturgy

Beginning the weekend of September 6 and 7, 2025, Our Lady of Fatima (OLF) will transition to using worship aids as the primary music resource in our pews. OLF is transitioning to worship aids to allow our musicians the ability to travel between Mass times, churches and choirs without the struggle of switching between hymnals that have different lyrics, keyboard accompaniments and numbers. This switch also allows our churches to grow closer together by sharing the best parts of each of their music programs in one, unified resource. Questions about this transition are natural, so here are answers to some of the most common:

**Does this mean we'll never use the hymnals in our pews again?**

No. Churches with hardbound hymnals will continue to use their books for the weekly readings. Churches that use a Missalette will use a readings-only Missalette for weekly readings.

**Aren't worship aids expensive to print every week?**

No. The decision to transition to worship aids comes after a careful study of the cost-benefit analysis of each music resource option. Worship aids will save OLF thousands of dollars each year over a yearly Missalette subscription or the investment cost of a hardbound hymnal.

**Are the hymnals at each church really that different?**

Yes! There are substantial differences between the four hymnals used in each of Our Lady of Fatima's churches. Not only are different sets of songs included in each book, but major changes that exist between each edition. Even classics like “Immaculate Mary” can have anywhere from four to seven verses depending on the hymnal. This coupled with a completely different organ part for each hymn means a lot of juggling for our rotating musicians. The 7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa and the 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick will not need worship aids at this time, since resources will still be in the pews to support the musicians of those Masses.

**I still don't understand why we're making this change...**

An important goal of the Beacons of Light process is the unification of OLF's staff and programs. Part of this goal means sharing our musicians between churches. By transitioning to one unified resource for hymns, we alleviate a great deal of confusion for our musicians. Now, organists and choirs can know what to expect when they serve at Masses, concerts, special events, weddings and funerals in OLF.

**What do I do with the Worship aid at the end of Mass?**

So that subsequent Masses may use the worship aids and so to alleviate clean up for our ushers, please return them near the door as you exit.



## OLF MINISTRIES

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Kindergarten through 8th Grade

#### 2025-2026 OLF CCD REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

As our young people begin their school year, the opportunity to continue their religious education launches as well. Their faith formation meaningfully and joyfully encompasses their journey toward becoming a disciple of Christ and their Sacramental experiences. This is a necessity to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation.

Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors that it's time to enroll!

Previous years' CCD families received an email.

Please arrive at your Kick-Off Mass & Meeting 5 minutes early 😊

**Our Lady of Fatima**  
FAMILY OF PARISHES

**OLF K-8 CCD KICK-OFF  
FAMILY MASSES & PARENT MEETINGS:**

**K-6TH CCD AT ST. PATRICK**  
Tuesday, 9/9 | 6-7:15 PM | Church

**K-6TH CCD AT TRANSFIGURATION**  
Wednesday, 9/10 | 6-7:15 PM | Church

**ALL 7/8TH GRADE CCD**  
Sunday, 9/14 | 10 AM Mass | Transfiguration  
7/8<sup>th</sup> CCD meeting after the  
special ALL OLF Youth & Teen Mass

### PHILIA YOUNG ADULT

**PHILIA** is Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' young adult ministry for people ages 18 (post-high school) to 40. Named after the Greek word for brotherly love, this new and growing ministry will provide community and faith-based programming for young people in our region. Share this opportunity with a young person in your life! Follow PHILIA on Instagram [@fatimafamily\\_ya](#).

September 9 | 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### *Sips & Sainthood*

\*This ALL-ADULT event is hosted by PHILIA.

The Bird's Nest,  
5485 N. Troy Sidney Road, Piqua

September 15 | 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### *Scavenger Hunt*

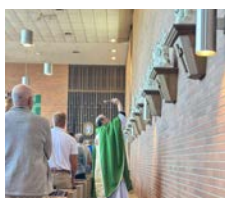
City of Troy

September 22 | 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### *Dodgeball War*

Transfiguration Parish Hall

## OLF CURRENT EVENTS



#### HAPPY 75TH ANNIVERSARY, CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION!

For a limited time, contact the Transfiguration church office to order your commemorative ornament. (Payment not needed until pick up.)



## OLF CURRENT EVENTS



Fr. Michael Samala, former parochial vicar of Transfiguration and St. Patrick from 2017-2022, will be visiting our churches September 3-17! He will celebrate Masses at both churches during his visit. An informal reception will be held

to welcome him back on Saturday, September 13 | 6:00-8:00 p.m. | Lange Estate picnic shelter. (3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls) Beverages and light snacks will be provided.

### ST. BONIFACE/ST. MARY PARISHES NEWSLETTER

The *Fall Edition* (October, November, December) of the Piqua newsletter is being prepared. Parishioners and parish groups are invited to contribute. Please submit your news by Monday, September 8. You may share a recap of past activities, promote upcoming events, and include photos if you wish. Submissions can be emailed to [jnrhemm@yahoo.com](mailto:jnrhemm@yahoo.com), phoned in at 937-778-8642, or dropped off at the Piqua parishes' office. To receive the newsletter electronically, send your email address to [piquaparishesnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:piquaparishesnewsletter@gmail.com) or contact the office.



St. Teresa's annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on November 8, 2025. Send your donations of new items, gift cards and/or merchandise for the BIG Craft Raffle! More info to follow. Contact Rita Mayor at 937-405-9682 or Jean Cordonnier at 937-773-7821.



### OKTOBERFEST EARLY BIRD RAFFLE

First Early Bird Drawing **WINNER Marjorie Elson \$50!**

New Early bird drawings are: September 15 and September 29

The BIG Awards Drawings will be held during Oktoberfest Saturday, October 4!

1st prize is \$1,000 | 2nd prize is \$500 | 3rd-5th prizes \$100 each

Get your tickets in the Piqua Parishes' Office. See you at Oktoberfest!



### CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Please welcome the **Rev. Bernard Olszewski** who will be visiting **St. Patrick September 6-7**. From Cross Catholic

Outreach (CCO), he will share touching stories about the amazing work Catholic missions are accomplishing worldwide. Since CCO empowers existing Catholic missions, its programs are extremely cost-effective, and the vast majority of the resources it collects go into program services that help the poorest of the poor around the world. To learn more, please visit [CrossCatholic.org/outreach](http://CrossCatholic.org/outreach), or scan this QR code.





## HOLY LEAGUE

Supernatural Strength & Unity

A parish-based alliance of men, striving for supernatural strength and brotherhood.



### CALLING ALL MEN

WHO ARE WILLING TO ENGAGE IN THEIR FAITH AND LEAD THEIR FAMILIES IN THESE TROUBLING TIMES

**Who:** Men of Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes

**What:** Eucharistic Adoration & Men's Fellowship

**When:** 3rd Saturdays | 7:00 AM | **SEPTEMBER 20**

**Where:** Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal  
3505 Calumet Rd. | Ludlow Falls, OH 45339

**Why:** To bring men into a deeper relationship with Christ and His Catholic Church through a worthy celebration of the sacraments, engaging talks to strengthen their faith, opportunities for true fraternity and exposure to resources to aid them in living their faith as disciples of Christ.

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.  
—Proverbs 27:17



CONTACT WADE DEXTER WITH QUESTIONS 937-875-7132 | [6DEXTERS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:6DEXTERS@GMAIL.COM)

SAVE-TH-DATE

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

## Fatima Day 2025

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

11:30 AM MASS | CARRY-IN LUNCH | FELLOWSHIP  
LANGE ESTATE | 3505 CALUMET RD., LUDLOW FALLS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

## SIPS & SAINTHOOD

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 | 7-9 PM

— PRAISE HIM —  
FINDING PEACE THROUGH THE STORM  
FR. ERIC BOWMAN

ADULTS-ONLY SOCIAL | GUEST TALK | Q&A  
5485 TROY-SIDNEY RD., PIQUA  
BARN & BAR SETTING | FRIENDS WELCOME!



HOSTED BY OLF PHILIA  
Free-will donations accepted.



### Transfiguration Art & Craft Night is back!

Thursday, September 18  
at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.  
We will be making

## Mosaic Tile Crosses

All are welcome.



## OLF CURRENT EVENTS

### CHRIST RENEWALS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT (CHRP)

Saturday, October 18, 2025

8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. (Includes Confession and afternoon Mass)

Meet at the Caserta Activity Center | Downing Street Campus (218 S. Downing Street)

Meals and snacks provided

A team of individuals will be sharing their faith journeys. This retreat is an enriching opportunity for you to have personal reflection and to recharge your spiritual battery, while hearing from individuals who share their faith journeys.

Brochures are available at all Our Lady of Fatima churches.

Cathy Oda 937-214-8909

*Coming Soon!*

#### The St. Patrick October Luncheon

A 40+ year fundraising luncheon and social tradition!

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**NEXT RAFFLE: September 27 & 28!**



### THE LAST ROSARY WALK is

**THIS WEEKEND – September 7**

Beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal with a family Rosary experience processing around the grounds, followed by a meal at the shelter area. The Lange estate will provide meat and drinks – please bring a side or dessert to share. Activate your faith! This is such a good time for the kids to learn their faith, practice it and then have some fun with other Catholic friends. No need to register. If you have questions, feel free to call the center, 937-698-7180.



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The Knights of Columbus Council 15424 will meet on the fourth Monday of each month.

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The Knights of Columbus Council 3873 will meet on the second Thursday of each month in the St. Patrick Parish Center, Room 6 upstairs (444 E. Water Street, white building behind school).





## PARISHIONER HIGHLIGHTS

### NEWLY BAPTIZED *Congratulations to:*

None

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

Suzanne Jones (SB)

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

None

### CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

*Thanks for your support & congrats!*

**SP Weekly Raffle Winner 9/1**

**SP Monthly Raffle Winner – August**

**Piqua \$7-a-Month Club Raffle – September**

**Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 9/1-5**

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Bernie Barhorst,

Mark Carey,

Susan DeBrosse,

Tyler Hemm, Jill Trevino

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### ST. BONIFACE

#### Saturday, September 13 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	M. Kemmer, M. Osborne, M. Peterson
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Brush, T. Burnside, B. Daniel, R. Webb, K. Henne
Lectors	R. Curtis, J. White
Sacristan	B. Brush
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, Volunteer, P. Penny, D. Penny

#### Sunday, September 14 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	A. Fox, H. Karn, I. Karn
Extraordinary Ministers	M. McDonald, C. Peltier, B. Peltier, Dcn. Jim
Lectors	E. Baker, ME Buechter
Sacristan	D. Johnson
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, Volunteer, M. Cool

### ST. MARY

#### Saturday, September 13 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	R. Henry, B. Johns, K. Johns
Extraordinary Ministers	A. Karn, A. Karn, M. Karn, A. Manson
Lectors	M. Ford, B. Hewitt
Sacristan	R. Holtvogt
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, Volunteers

#### Sunday, September 14 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	C. Galbreath, S. Galbreath, W. Galbreath
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Roberts, M. Safreed, V. Pierson, M. Worland
Lectors	E. Merrifield, R. O'Leary
Sacristan	G. Stonerock
Ushers/Greeters	R. Foster, S. Kalmar, D. Francony, P. Jenkins

### ST. TERESA

#### Sunday, September 14 – 7:30 a.m.

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

### ST. PATRICK

#### Saturday, September 13 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	B. Bass, A. Cianciolo
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Scott, Dcn. John, K. Scott
Lector	J. Gigandet
Sacristan	S. Knight

#### Sunday, September 14 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	J. Bockey, L. Subler
Extraordinary Ministers	P. Menker, Dcn. John, A. McDonough
Lector	C. Bockey
Sacristan	M. Subler

#### Sunday, September 14 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	T. Behm, T. Ratermann, C. Unger
Extraordinary Ministers	S. Behm, A. Gutman, K. Olberding, P. Smith, M. Via
Lector	A. Andrejcio
Sacristan	M. Henry

#### Sunday, September 14 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	S. Goubeaux, C. Johnson
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Sheridan, S. Keller, D. Wolfe
Lector	Sub Needed
Sacristan	E. Sheridan

### CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

#### Sunday, September 14 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	M. Desch, D. Boeckman
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Mergler, D. Mergler, C. Hummel
Lector	K. Jacobs
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	N. Craport, B. Hoffman, J. Stutz, Volunteer

#### Sunday, September 14 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	W. Case, Joey Volk, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	W. Dexter, B. Platfoot, L. McCartan
Lectors	G. Dexter, R. Latino
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
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