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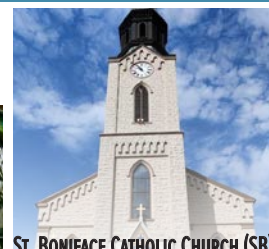
33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.



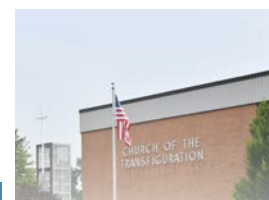
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)
 528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356
 937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org
 M-Th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 F, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



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 Pohls

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 937-335-2833. OLF Baptism Classes are held at St. Patrick Parish Center (white building behind the school), upstairs Room 3.

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

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. Simply enter "St. Patrick, Troy, OH," your name and email. Everyone can use it!

FIND THE WEEKEND MASS & PRIEST SCHEDULE ON OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCHES' WEBSITES, (OR SIMPLY SCAN THIS QR CODE WITH YOUR CAMERA APP/BUTTON TO TAKE YOU DIRECTLY TO THE LINK.)



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:



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 the 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.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Connecting you & your family to Volunteer Opportunities within OLF

CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OFFICE TO LEND A HAND!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Liturgical Ministers:

Sacristans | Servers | Eucharistic Ministers | Lectors

Bereavement Team Member: Share your time and compassion with a family who is planning a loved one's funeral.

K-6 CCD Aides

Nativity Scene & Christmas Open House Assistants:

Lange Estate (December 4)

Children's Choir Members:

(Troy/Piqua, 3rd-8th Grades)

Choir Members:

(Troy/Piqua, especially Altos)

Youth Ministry Core Team Member

TRANSFIGURATION

Adorers for Thursday Adoration

ST. PATRICK

Day-of Wedding Facilitators, Sunday Collection Counters

ST. MARY

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

ST. TERESA

Sacristan, Ushers, Servers

ST. BONIFACE

Day-of Wedding Facilitator

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIME	PARISH	INTENTION	READING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:10 p.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Betty Phillips Will Kishman †Carol Henderson	<i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i> 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18			
7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	St. Patrick St. Mary Transfiguration	†AJ Holter †Frank & Betty Barhorst †Lawson, Fennell & Thomas Families	<i>St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin</i> 2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Thomas Organ † Purgatorian Mass – †Bob Huffman †Linda & Jim Hemmert – Wedding Anniversary	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20			
8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Transfiguration St. Patrick St. Mary	†Lori Lawson Poor Souls of Purgatory †Don Gordon	1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Ileana Santana †Dr. Donald & Mary T. Lintner †Mike Metzger	<i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-48
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22			
8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary St. Mary St. Patrick St. Mary	†Bob Schmidt †Rachelle Cordonnier Jim Miller †Ted Teach	<i>St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</i> 1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23			
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. Mary St. Patrick	†Thomas Hirth †Nancy Desch & †Agnes Sacher †Urban & Marlene Zumberger †Helen Dooley †Tom Heckman Living & Deceased of OLF †Joe Morelock †Mary Berchtold	<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i> 2 Sm 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

\$ = Second Collection † = In Memoriam * = Fellowship Sunday, coffee and doughnuts after Mass

All weekday and Sunday Masses are streamed at Transfiguration: transfigurationcatholicchurch.org/streamspot.

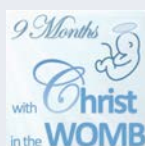
St. Boniface Masses moved to St. Mary until further notice.

REMINDER:

All Masses are moved from St. Boniface to St. Mary in Piqua due to the broken boiler until further notice. Mass and Confession times remain the same.

CHRIST IN THE WOMB

Week 35 – Jesus has discovered a new favorite activity, sucking on His thumb! At six pounds, He is starting to look adorably plump and very healthy. *Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!*



Welcome, Fr. Bauchman!

Fr. Marty Bauchman will be spending 10 days within Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes and will help cover some Masses and Confessions. Please share a warm welcome with him.

Let's Give Thanks!

Thanksgiving Day Masses | 9 AM

November 27, 2025

St. Patrick Troy	Fr. Eric
St. Mary Piqua	Fr. Callan
Transfiguration West Milton	Fr. Steve

Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES

FR. ERIC BOWMAN RAMBLINGS

Thanksgiving: A Season of Gratitude



If you are like me, it is easy to forget how “God provides” when you are too focused on others’ blessings. We live in a culture that incessantly prompts us to want *more and more of what others have* – and *INSTANTLY!*

Temptations are thrown in our path relentlessly, and we are provided many opportunities to lose perspective on our blessings, to want more and to forget that what the Lord has given us is more than adequate. As a Christian, living a life rooted in gratitude is essential to growing in our faith.

For example, when we plug into the internet, we need to be well aware of ourselves and our own deadly pitfalls that lead us to personal sin. How is it that in just a few short minutes we can lose our grounding and perspective?

It is easy to fall quickly into being jealous of others’ blessings whenever it is something we, ourselves, desire. We may find ourselves coveting, desiring, wanting or believing that just maybe we *SHOULD* have those blessings...possibly even have our neighbor’s life! Keep your mind in a grateful and thankful mode, and avoid these near occasions of sin.

Now, more than ever, thanks to social media, we can view every single blessing of another person’s life in a flash from vacations, talents, summer camps, family life or even what others are cooking or eating out for dinner! Social media is a tool for sharing, but also a dragon well worth taming so that you are not tempted to become jealous of another’s blessings.

Keep a healthy perspective on your life and the life of others! Remember, life isn’t perfect on the other side of the screen, and, instead, learn to cultivate gratitude in your heart so you can discover true Christian joy.

OLF MINISTRIES

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



OCIA INFO SESSION **November 17 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.**

Lange Estate, 3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls

Sponsor or spouse is welcome to join, but s/he is not required!

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 located in Piqua, Troy, Covington or West Milton. We would love to walk with you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PARENT CONFIRMATION REMINDER: SPONSOR FORMS ARE DUE ON NOVEMBER 17!

Confirmation Document Deadlines:

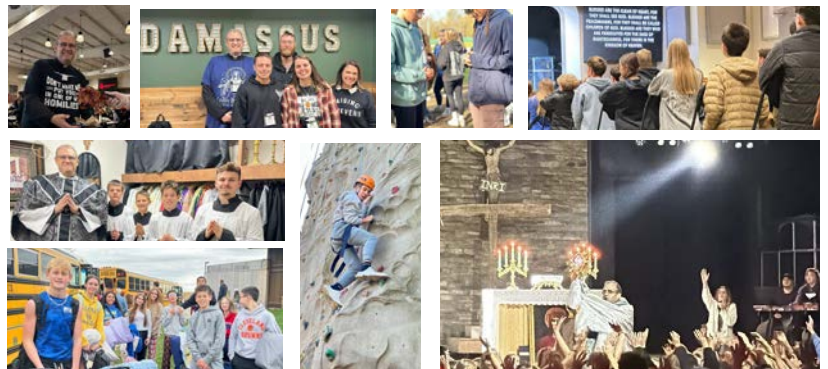
Sponsor Selection Form/Baptismal Certificate	November 17
Saint Selection & Essay	December 17

DAMASCUS CONFIRMATION RETREAT RECAP

Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes’ 8th grade students from all five churches and two schools let the weight of this busy and confusing world fall off their shoulders at their Damascus Confirmation Retreat! They dug deeper into prayer life, drew a stronger connection with Jesus who is preparing them for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and experienced adventures, memories and Christian fellowship to cherish! So proud of these young people. Please join their catechists and parents in praying for their Confirmation journey 🙏 Nearly double the students attended this year!

“I love that we always discover a way to put Jesus in all the small things in life and what we experience, that way we always know that He loves us.”

– An OLF Confirmand



BIBLES & YOCATS FOR OUR STUDENTS

Help give the gift of His Word, by generously making a donation for Bibles and YouCats (youth-friendly Catechism resource) to support this year’s Our Lady of Fatima’s need of 80 Bibles and YouCats for CCD AND Catholic school students. Thank you for supporting this educational gift! Mark an envelope “Bible Donation” and place in the offertory basket or church office.

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](https://www.instagram.com/fatimafamily_ya).



PHILIA Halloween Party 2025



PHILIA Friendsgiving 2025

The Philia Young Adult Group has been thriving – growing in faith, friendship, and fun! A spirited Halloween Party to a heartwarming Friendsgiving, every gathering has been filled with laughter, community and God’s presence. The feeling of gratitude has been wonderful. Here’s to even more joyful moments ahead! Stay tuned for PHILIA events in the future!

OLF MINISTRIES

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEXT YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHTS:

Bosco (7th/8th Grades)/High School Youth Group
6:30-8:00 p.m.
Dinner Provided!

November 16 – St. Patrick Church Undercroft (basement)
+ Service Project
November 23 – Transfiguration Youth Building
December 7 – Transfiguration Youth Building

The REMIND App made a security update – [Download the app](#)
in order see OLF Youth Ministry updates, notifications
and announcements.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (9-12TH) & BOSCO GROUP (7/8TH)

Friends welcome! Dinner provided!



SUNDAY YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHTS
972 S. Miami St., West Milton
Parent/Teen carpool encouraged!
tinyurl.com/OLF-Youth-Ministry



Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES

DOWNLOAD THE REMIND APP
TO GET QUICK ANNOUNCEMENTS!

BOSCO - JUNIOR HIGH GROUP
(INCLUDES CONFIRMATION REMINDERS)

ENTER THIS CODE
TO JOIN:

@39fkhh

7/8TH GRADE CCD

ENTER THIS CODE
TO JOIN:

@74bgg6

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP



ENTER THIS CODE
TO JOIN:

@ba389ek



MUSIC & LITURGY

Kindly return any worship aids to ushers upon exit from Mass. Thank you for keeping our churches tidy!

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH CAPITAL PROJECT



PHASE II - CHURCH FRONT | NOVEMBER 2025

More than a dozen years ago, the snow melt system within St. Patrick Catholic Church's front steps began to fail, causing slipping hazards and additional maintenance work and concerns. In combination with the inconsistent step heights and cracks, this deferred maintenance project was also requested as a necessary capital repair during the 2019 St. Patrick listening session, when parishioners shared their feedback.

Finance Council voted to approve the project, and, although not a voting entity, Fr. Eric met with Pastoral Council to inform and discuss the need. The Archbishop of Cincinnati has signed the necessary documentation. Planning meetings have occurred and touch bases will be ongoing. Phase II is estimated to cost approximately \$250K. The Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC) that St. Patrick received in May 2025 has now blessed us to move forward with Phase II of St. Patrick's Capital Project immediately.

St. Patrick is pleased to work with Will-Con as contractor for this Phase, owned by Kris Williams, parishioner. In preparation of construction, Will-Con will install temporary fencing in the front. The Crawford Street-side church door (near the cry room), will be repaired and operable for Masses. This door will be used in addition to the existing handicap ramp door. Exits will be reviewed for fire code safety. Proper permits are pending for road and sidewalk closure, as well.

Weather-permitting, the goal for Phase II completion will be two to three months. Phase II includes:

- **New heated front steps** will be installed. A 4,000 PSI concrete will be used. The snow melt system will be capable to melt 4" inches of snow an hour. Natural gas boilers, turned on and off by snow and ice sensors, will be embedded into the concrete, alleviating slipping hazards and maintenance frequency. Salt-inhibitor concrete will be used on the steps only to reduce deterioration of the concrete when any salt is used.
- The new, white concrete will house **6-foot landings** with three steps in between each landing. The landings will not only allow parishioners a moment of reprieve if needed, photography opportunities for weddings, but primarily, it will allow for smoother navigation into church with caskets.
- The entrance and steps will now be **up to building code for the height of the steps**. Previous heights were between 4.5 and 8.75," having no consistency. The new steps will be 7.5," and there will be zero-entry into the front doors (no step up).
- The **hand railings** were too low and wobbly and will be replaced at the proper height.
- The Southwest sidewalk from Crawford to the front church walkway towards the handicap ramp base will be **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant**.
- The Southwest corner **grass will be reggraded** to suit the new concrete with reseeded grass. It will be ADA compliant from the Southwest corner, across the front to the existing handicap access ramp.

Vigil and Sunday Mass ushers should please be stationed at the ramp door and the Crawford Street door upon entrance and exit from Mass. Weekday Sacristans and weekend ushers will receive further communication about door un/locking.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE CANDLES



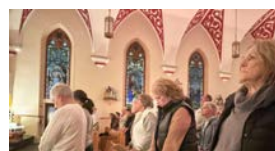
If you lost a loved one from one of our churches this past year, and were not able to be at the Mass of Remembrance, call the office by this month to have a candle blessed for your loved one.



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE RECAP

Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes gathered for a special Mass of Remembrance. It was a solemn celebration honoring our loved ones who have gone before us this past year. As their names were read and candles lit in their memory, we were reminded of God's promise of eternal life and the hope we share in Christ.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



OLF CURRENT EVENTS

PIQUA PARISHES NEWSLETTER — SAVE COSTS!

Parishioners who currently receive the Piqua Parishes' Newsletter by mail are encouraged to share their e-mail address to save time and money on printing, assembling and rising mailing costs. With the pdf link you'll be able to enlarge the text for easier reading, print in color if you wish and more-easily share the newsletter with family and friends. Simply send your email piquaparishesnewsletter@gmail.com or contact the church office to be added.



Shepherds of Christ Ministries
A MOVEMENT DEDICATED TO THE RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

On Sunday, November 30, Holiday Home Decorations will be sold after the 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Transfiguration Masses to benefit the Shepherds of Christ Movement. Your purchase helps Shepherds of Christ print and mail spiritual materials to priests and religious around the world. Your support also sustains perpetual Adoration, prayers for all priests and the spiritual renewal of the Church and the world. Thank you for your generosity.



Transfiguration Doughnut Sunday
November 30, after both Masses



ART & CRAFT NIGHT
NOVEMBER 20, 7:00 PM

*Come and make
Felted Christmas Ornaments*
All supplies will be provided

Please email
bkpr@tchchurch.org
and let us know if you are attending.

CLOTHING DONATIONS NEEDED!

Many families turn to Miami County Right to Life for help in meeting their material needs. Seeking donations of fall and winter clothing for children ages 3 and 4! Your generosity helps keep little ones warm and cared for this season. There is a box behind the Right to Life building at 305 E. Main Street, Troy.



St. Clare Adoration Chapel
behind St. Boniface Catholic Church, Piqua
"Could you not watch one hour with Me?"
-Matthew 26:40

Available Hours:
Monday: 3:00 a.m.
Friday 12:00: p.m., 1:00 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00: p.m. (every other week)
Sunday: 12:00 a.m., 3:00 a.m., 4:00 a.m., 5:00 a.m., 7:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.

Mike Epperly – Day Coordinator: (937) 622-0112
Mary Jane Karn – Night Coordinator: (937) 214-0476
FATHER ANGELO CASERTA, FOUNDER OF ST. CLARE CHAPEL, PRAY FOR US!

AED FREE TRAINING REGISTRATION

November 22 at 10:00 a.m.

**St. Patrick Church Undercroft
(Basement) brought to us
by the Troy Fire Department**



Every second counts during a cardiac emergency. Learn how to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) confidently and effectively through our free, hands-on training. Thanks to our amazing donors, all five Our Lady of Fatima's churches and the Lange Estate are now able to have AEDs installed. In preparation for the possible use of these machines, if you sign up for just one class, you'll gain the skills to recognize cardiac arrest, perform CPR and operate an AED – giving someone their best chance of survival. No experience needed, just a willingness to help. Empower yourself to make a difference. Join today, and be someone's lifesaver! Register at the link at the QR code or call Dennis at 937-698-4520.

DID YOU KNOW?

A "QR CODE" TUTORIAL

1. What Is It?
 - A QR code is a small square picture made of black and white dots.
 - It works like a shortcut – when you scan it with your phone camera, it quickly takes you to the website, video or message without typing anything.
2. How to Scan It
 - Open your Camera app.
 - Point your phone's camera at the QR code. (Make sure the whole square fits on the screen.)
3. What to Do Next
 - Wait a moment; a link or message will pop up on your screen.
 - Tap the link to open it and see the information.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

GriefShare®
20th Anniversary Celebration!

November 16 | 2 PM
St. Patrick Church Undercroft, 409 E. Main St., Troy

RSVP: rsmith3055@aol.com
Appetizers by Eloquence & Cake!

GriefShare alumni, volunteers & friends are welcome to an afternoon of celebration & fellowship!

GRIEF SHARE PROGRAMS:
Surviving the Holidays | Saturday, 11/22, 10-11:30 AM
Loss of Spouse | Saturday, 2/7, 10:00-11:30 AM
13-Week Session | Begins 2/11/26 | Wednesdays, 1 PM or 7 PM
St. Patrick Parish Center | 444 E. Water St., Troy

**All are welcome!
RSVP is encouraged and appreciated, but feel free to visit this Sunday even if you did not.**




**HOLIDAY
HELPING
HANDS**

Transfiguration is partnering with the Milton-Union Council of Churches to support local families in need through the Holiday Helping Hands program. This year, our parish has been asked to contribute 100 boxes of cereal and 100 bottles of dish soap. Please place your donations in the specially marked container located in the vestibule by **December 16**. If you know of a family in need of a holiday food box through Helping Hands, please contact the church office at **937-698-4520**. Together, we can make the holidays brighter for our neighbors in need!

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

Nativity Scene & Christmas Open House

FREE PUBLIC EVENT
Thursday, 12/4/25 | 5:30-8 PM
Lange Estate | 3505 Calumet Rd.
Ludlow Falls, OH 45339




Ponder the beauty of Christmas!
NEWLY-Displayed Creches, 75,000
Christmas lights, horse-drawn carriage rides,
music, treats, a visit from Santa and more!
Bring the family and invite a friend!



Brought to us by the
Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal
Contact Ron: 937.698.7180

Annual Sale

HERITAGE BREADS & ST. BONIFACE OKTOBERFEST CABBAGE ROLLS
through November 17

Cabbage Rolls: Oven and freezer-ready in pans of 3/6/12 servings.
Includes sauerkraut, tomato sauce, baking instructions.

Heritage Breads: A variety of options,
made fresh from parish festival recipes.

Order at the Piqua parishes' office, piquaparishes.org, or
contact: stbonifacebread@gmail.com | (937) 773-1656.

Order Pick-Up:
Saturday, 11/22: 12:00-6:30 PM
Sunday, 11/23: 10:00 AM-12:30 PM
Caserta Activity Center, 218 S. Downing St.

Proceeds benefit St. Boniface Family Life.

Order forms are available in the back of all churches

29TH ANNUAL
ST. BONIFACE QUILT RAFFLE



FIVE CHANCES TO WIN!
Tickets: \$1 Each or 6/\$5
Return raffle tickets to the Piqua parishes' office,
preferably by 12/22/25.

QUILT RAFFLE DRAWING @ BINGO, MONDAY, 12/29/25!
Tickets are in St. Mary.
Or, use [Paypal.com](https://www.paypal.com) and enter stbonifacequilt@gmail.com as the recipient.
Include your phone number & email address.

#1 King-Size (94 x 110)" "Wedding Ring"
Cross-Stitched by Karen Barringer, Jo Gast, Rose Hemm, Pat Knab,
Cindy Nelson, Sylvia Platt, Janet Poling, Gloria Stonerock, Deb Tyler
Hand-Quilted by Connie Bonifas, Betty Elliott, Dolores Latham, Deb Tyler
Machine-Quilted by Rita Mayor

#2 Lap Quilt (34 x 34)" "Cross My Heart"
Cross-Stitched & Hand-Quilted by Gloria Stonerock

#3 Throw (50 x 68)" "Yo-Yo"
Pieced by Janet Poling Hand-Quilted by Betty Elliot and Gloria Stonerock

#4 9-Patch Quilt (55 x 60)"
by Donna Johnson

#5 Scarlet & Gray (40 x 60)" Crocheted Afghan
by Robbie Webb

PROCEEDS BENEFIT ST. BONIFACE!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

GriefShare®

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS
Saturday, November 22 | 10:00 - 11:30 AM
St. Patrick Parish Center, 444 E. Water St., Troy

Join a supportive seminar featuring insights from
counselors, grief experts, and others who understand.

All are welcome. Please share with anyone who may benefit.
Registration optional: griefshare.org/holidays

Questions: Pat Smith — rsmith3055@aol.com

Ongoing GriefShare Support Group:
Wednesdays at 1:00 PM or 7:00 PM



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ST. PATRICK UNDERCROFT
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success! The volunteers, donors,
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talents and support to bring this
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the day, and the proceeds will
continue to bless and support
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SCHOOLS

HAPPY FALL FROM OUR SCHOOLS!

Both campuses were bustling as we wrapped up the first quarter on October 24! Students in Grades K–8 at Piqua Catholic and St. Patrick celebrated our annual Glory Day on September 26 with outdoor Mass, lunch and field games and activities with staff, students, clergy and volunteers. Our 7th graders enjoyed an unforgettable retreat at Damascus (October 22–24), followed by our 8th graders and parish family students who attended their Confirmation retreat there (October 31–November 2). This fall has been filled with learning and exploration – Piqua Catholic students visited Carillon Park, Stillwater Prairie, Brumbaugh Farms, Charleston Falls and the Piqua Fire Department, while St. Patrick students enjoyed trips to Fulton Farms, Young's Jersey Dairy and the Troy Fire Department. Parent-teacher conferences were held November 5–6, and both schools enjoyed a well-deserved day off on November 7. The first quarter flew by, and the second will go just as quickly as we move into Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas and New Year celebrations!

Upcoming Dates:

November 26–28: Thanksgiving Break

December 1–2: Piqua Catholic Santa Shop

December 8–9: St. Patrick Santa Shop

December 16: Piqua Catholic Christmas Program & Band Concert

December 17: St. Patrick Christmas Program & Band Concert

December 19: Early Dismissal at 1:15 p.m. for Christmas Break

Thank you for your continued support and all that you do for our school communities!

Blessings,

Cyndi Cathcart

Principal of Schools

“DOLLARS FOR OUR SCHOLARS” SUCCESS!

All tickets for this year's “Dollars for Our Scholars” Luncheon were sold, making it the most successful event yet! Thanks to the incredible generosity of supporters, a total of \$13,494 was raised. This brings the 25-year fundraising total for Piqua Catholic School to an astounding \$246,705. A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who made the event possible, especially the dedicated committee members and the many new attendees who joined in the celebration. Next year's luncheon will be in September 2026!

Congratulations to this year's monetary winners:

\$1,000 winners:

Susie Wise, Chuck Elliott, Craig Peltier

\$100 winners:

Madonna Haithcoat, Marvin Cool, Deb Owsiany

\$50 winners:

Ron Curtis, Julie Monnin, Phil Hissong

\$25 winners:

Glen Devers, Monica Shrader, Fr. Callan

In addition, 54 bottles of wine were awarded to lucky participants – Cheers to all the winners!

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Keep Christ in Christmas
POSTER CONTEST

St. Patrick Catholic School or CCD Students grades K–8
Submission Materials will be delivered to students!

Extra registration forms and 11" x 17" poster paper available in the St. Patrick Catholic Church vestibule. Using the provided paper is optional, but include “Keep Christ in Christmas” or very similar wording on your poster.

Deadline: Wednesday, December 3, 2025, to St. Patrick Catholic School, CCD teachers or the St. Patrick Church office.

Contact: Ken Vendryes | marylane1508@gmail.com

The contest will be judged locally with winning entries advancing to the district/region level, then to state, national and international levels for prizes, featured artwork and recognition!



The Knights of Columbus of Piqua have transferred a framed picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Teresa. This pilgrim icon, which was blessed by Pope Francis in 2024, serves as a beautiful reminder of Jesus' abundant mercy and love for all of us. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for providing this sacred image and for their continued devotion to deepening our faith!

Covington | St. Teresa Knights of Columbus Joe Speer, 937-216-6768
The Knights of Columbus Council 15424 will meet on the fourth Monday of each month.

Piqua Knights of Columbus Dennis DeBrosse, 937-214-7945

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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:*

Adelyn Elizabeth, daughter of Brandon & Morgan Wirrig (SP)

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

Alfrieda Francis (SP)

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

Justin & Kim Firks & children: Kendall, Michaela, Alyvia & Canaan (SP)

Andrew and Erin Luring & children: Ezra and Marigold (TR)

CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks for your support & congrats!

SP Weekly Raffle Winner 11/10

SP Monthly Raffle Winner

Piqua \$7-a-Month Club Raffle

Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 11/10-14

Barbara Kussman

November Winner Coming Soon!

December Winner Coming Soon!

Megan Kunath, Carol Fortman,

Mike & Brenda Gallagher,

Patrick Galbreath, Dennis Steinke

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. BONIFACE

Saturday, November 22 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	B. Daniel, M. Peterson, M. Kemmer
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Henne, J. Herbe, J. Ventura, L. Ventura, B. Brush
Lectors	T. Sharp, R. Webb
Sacristan	B. Brush
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, P. Penny, Volunteers

Sunday, November 23 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	A. Fox, E. Hemm, L. Knapke
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Peltier, J. Peltier, K. Roth, L. Stotler
Lectors	G. Johnson, D. Johnson
Sacristan	D. Decknadel
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, Volunteer, M. Cool

ST. MARY

Saturday, November 22 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	T. Ford, G. Sherman, H. Sherman
Extraordinary Ministers	M. Bosse, M. Bosse, P. Heater, Volunteer
Lectors	A. Manson, E. Merrifield
Sacristan	R. Holtvogt
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, R. Foster, Volunteer

Sunday, November 23 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	Volunteer, B. Johns, K. Johns
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Foster, M. Foster, R. Foster, T. Foster
Lectors	A. Cecil, T. Burnside
Sacristan	D. Cecil
Ushers/Greeters	D. Francony, P. Jenkins, Volunteers

ST. TERESA

Sunday, November 23 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Server	J. Kuether
Extraordinary Minister	E. Clark, Volunteers
Lector	K. Bartley
Ushers	C. Wehner, T. Kuether

ST. PATRICK

Saturday, November 22 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	C. Pannapara, O. Poeppelman
Extraordinary Ministers	M.B. Rindler, Dcn. John, J. Scott
Lector	V. Pannapara
Sacristan	T. Pannapara

Sunday, November 23 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	L. Barsotti, J. Bockey
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Groff, C. Bockey, Dcn. John
Lector	I. Voisard
Sacristan	L. Menker

Sunday, November 23 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	T. Custer, W. Swan, B. Williams
Extraordinary Ministers	A. Gutman, B. Purpus, M. Purpus, T. Muir, K. Olberding
Lector	A. Cianciolo
Sacristan	M. Henry

Sunday, November 23 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	E. Kinsella, C. Yahl
Extraordinary Ministers	E. Sheridan, M. Lauer, M.B. Rindler
Lector	G. Rinehart
Sacristan	D. Wolfe

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Sunday, November 23 – 7:30 a.m.

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

Sunday, November 23 – 10:00 a.m.

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



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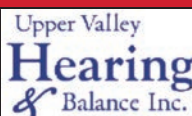
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