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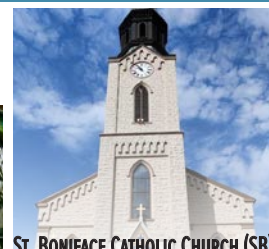
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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.-5:30 p.m.
 F, 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.



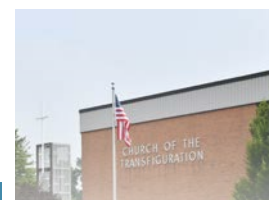
ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (SM)
 528 Broadway St. Piqua 45356
 937-773-1327 | piquaparishes.org
 M-Th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 F, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



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.

ANOIDTING 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 24			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:10 p.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Sharron Kittle Living & Deceased of the Manthey & Dzendzel Families Duane & Mary Jane Bachman – 65th Wedding Anniversary	<i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</i> <i>Dn 1:1-6, 8-20</i> <i>Lk 21:1-4</i>
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25			
7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	St. Patrick St. Mary Transfiguration	†Jim Holter †Herbert Brussell †Stephen Latino	<i>St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr</i> <i>Dn 2:31-45</i> <i>Lk 21:5-11</i>
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	†Susan Francis †Purgatorian Mass – Jeff Hartke †Hannah O'Leary	<i>Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28</i> <i>Lk 21:12-19</i>
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27			
9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Transfiguration St. Patrick St. Mary St. Teresa	†Al Bellomy †Joe & Rosa Enneking †Ann Phyllaier Holy Souls In Purgatory	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>Dn 6:12-28</i> <i>Lk 21:20-28</i>
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28			
7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	St. Patrick Transfiguration St. Mary	Lauren Dexter †Gary Pierron †Tim Hatcher	<i>Dn 7:2-14</i> <i>Lk 21:29-33</i>
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29			
8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary St. Mary St. Patrick St. Mary	†Deb Zimmerman †David Burnside †Thomas Sekas †Shirley Kiefer	<i>Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Dn 7:15-27</i> <i>Lk 21:34-36</i>
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30			
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	†Ray Guillozet †Madonna McCarthy †Purgatorian Mass – Bridgett Hamilton †Russell Grow, Sr. Michael Wallace †Patty Windmiller †Brandon Basye Living & Deceased of OLF	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Is 2:1-5</i> <i>Rom 13:11-14</i> <i>Mt 24:37-44</i>

\$ = 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.

Welcome, Fr. Bachman!

Fr. Marty Bachman 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.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA FINANCIAL SUMMARY

OCTOBER 2025 SUNDAY OFFERINGS	ST. BONIFACE	ST. MARY	ST. PATRICK*	ST. TERESA	TRANSFIGURATION
Monthly Offerings Actual	\$32,321	\$48,890	\$62,328	\$7,170	\$24,455
Monthly Offerings Anticipated	\$32,308	\$48,000	\$59,615	\$7,935	\$33,000
Monthly Over (Under) Anticipated	\$13	\$890	\$2,713	(\$765)	(\$8,545)

* Currently, St. Patrick maintains a separate account to track "Christmas/Easter" offerings. The St. Patrick numbers shown above are strictly normal weekly offerings. The other churches include their Christmas/Easter in "Monthly Offerings" above. All "Actuals" are based on Sundays in the month.

FR. ERIC BOWMAN RAMBLINGS

Latin and the Mass

As Advent returns, we will once again sing Mass parts in Latin, including the "Holy, Holy" and "Lamb of God." Every year, this change brings up a few questions, most commonly, "Why are we singing in Latin," and, "Are we allowed to do this," and "Didn't Vatican II get rid of Latin?"

To explain why we use Latin in the Catholic Church, let's begin with what Vatican II is. Vatican II, or the Second Vatican Council, was an ecumenical council of the Roman Catholic Church from 1962 to 1965. At an ecumenical council, all the bishops of the world are called together by the pope in order to meet and listen to the voice of God in the Holy Spirit.

At ecumenical councils, under the direction of the Holy Spirit, the bishops define either dogma (what we believe) or discipline (how we live out our beliefs). Ecumenical councils are rare — only 21 have occurred in the entire history of the Church — and they have defined some of our most important practices and beliefs. Examples include the Nicene Creed and the belief that Mary is the Mother of God.

The decrees of an ecumenical council are "binding for all Christians" and are understood to be "infallible," meaning they are communicated directly from God to His people without error.

Did Vatican II get rid of Latin? While the council made significant reforms to the Catholic liturgy, it did not get rid of Latin. Instead, Vatican II affirmed the place of Latin in the Roman Catholic Church while allowing the use of the vernacular (language of the people) during Mass. Of Latin, Vatican II says:

"...the use of the Latin language is to be preserved..." and "...steps should be taken so that the faithful may also be able to say or to sing together in Latin those parts...[of the] Mass which pertain to them." Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: Sacrosanctum Concilium, 1963, nos. 36.1, 54

For some, using Latin in church may feel like moving backwards in time. For others, it may feel unfamiliar or intimidating. But using Latin does not move us backward, nor is it meant to make people uncomfortable. Instead, it connects us more deeply with the church of Jesus Christ. By using Latin, we connect with the global Body of Christ through the universal language, that, through the centuries, has avoided favoring any single modern culture or nation, and it has helped maintain the integrity of the faith across time and regions. We root ourselves in the traditions that have sustained our Church for thousands of years.

This Advent, I invite you to sing in Latin, even if it feels a bit unusual at first. We are taking part in something greater than any one of us, individually.



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
St. Teresa Covington	Fr. Jim

Our Lady of Fatima
FAMILY OF PARISHES



CHRIST IN THE WOMB

Week 36 – Jesus is developing increased coordination this week. He has begun holding and grasping things in His little hands, things like His ears, His knees and even His umbilical cord once or twice. *Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!*



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.



Happy Thanksgiving

OLF Offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving weekend.

MENTAL WELLNESS FOR THE FAITHFUL

Peace be with you. "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." In the 13th Century, St. Thomas Aquinas worked on a pile of works known as his "Summa Theologica" – a summary of theology. In the "Summa," St. Thomas identifies various Godly truths which are determined by placing a question forth and logically determining answers through process of elimination and reasoning. For even experienced students, the Summa can be challenging to read. Yet, it has had a profound impact on the Church and how we understand our relationship with God, how we view Him and how we believe He views us. One section of the Summa that fascinates me, especially as a therapist, is question #38: The remedies of sorrow and pain. In this question, St. Thomas identifies five remedies for distress and sorrow: pleasure, weeping, sympathy of friends, contemplating truth and taking a bath or sleeping. The next bulletin entries will focus on these very practical tips and how we can use them to persevere during challenging times towards securing our loves, as Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. However, I bet you are already beginning to think about how you can use these tips from St. Thomas to navigate challenging times in your life simply by giving yourself the permission to do these things. After all, St. Thomas is a Doctor, so we can do what the Doctor ordered, right? Persevere my brothers and sisters, for God is with us always. Come and see.

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OLF MINISTRIES

CATHOLIC LOVE IN ACTION



OUR LADY OF FATIMA FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENTS

2025 OLF HOLIDAY OUTREACH

CANNED FOODS

"Helping Hands" | Transfiguration
Collection goal: 100 boxes of cereal & 100 dish soaps!
Place items in the container located in the vestibule.
Return by December 16!

Bethany Center | St. Boniface & St. Mary
Return non perishable food and paper products to St. Mary, entrance nearest the prayer candle table.
Throughout November & December

COATS/WINTER GEAR

Miami Right to Life | St. Patrick & OLF Community
Fall and Winter clothing, ages 3-4, and other young children's clothing. Return to the black box on the west side of the Right to Life building: 305 E. Main Street, Troy. Or, call (937) 726-7299.

TOYS & GIFTS

Partner in Hope Christmas Shop
Collection at St. Patrick & Transfiguration!
Toy donations & items for teens are needed in the blue barrels found in the church vestibules.
Volunteers requested:
Sorting December 9-12 & Shop Day December 13

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Coats/Winter Gear | St. Patrick Catholic School
The Empowering Children with Hope & Opportunity (ECHO) counselor collects hats and gloves to deliver to Partners in Hope and the St. Pat's Soup Kitchen.
Return by December 19.

Coat Donations | Lehman Catholic
Due Tuesday, November 24
Coats will be donated to Catholic Social Services for their distribution

Toy Drive | Lehman Catholic
Due Wednesday, December 17
Toys will be delivered to Wilson Health Emergency Dept. for children in the waiting and/or examination room.

"Burr Bags" | Lehman Catholic
Filling sling sacks with mittens, gloves, hats, and more to have delivered to the Bethany Center

GIVING TREES

All Five OLF Church Communities!
See the details in the special Giving Tree bulletin section!



GIVING TREES

As the Season of Advent approaches, Giving Trees at Our Lady of Fatima's five churches will be thoughtfully and creatively made available. Let's show our Catholic love in action so that our parishioners can bless our area's underprivileged people and nonprofit groups who serve the poor and homebound. **Info subject to change as it's learned.**

St. Boniface Catholic Church 📖 RETURN BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Sponsored by Parish Family Life
Purchase and wrap a gift. Attach tag to package. Mission Group special-project donation envelopes are provided to return in the box at church. Call the Piqua parishes' office with questions 937-773-1656.

St. Mary Catholic Church 📖 RETURN BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Sponsored by St. Mary Outreach
Purchase and wrap a gift. Attach tag to package. Families and nursing home individuals will benefit from your generosity. Call Linda at office 937-773-1327 with questions.

St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus 📖 RETURN BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Gifts support the Covington Outreach Association's (COA) "Children's Christmas Angel" program in partnership with most churches in Covington. Gifts go to the children of Covington.

St. Patrick Catholic Church 📖 RETURN BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

There are more than 250 local individuals who will be blessed by our parishioners this Christmas from Partners in Hope, Right-to-Life and shut-ins. Contact Kate at klins@woh.rr.com to lend a hand after Masses.

Church of the Transfiguration 📖 RETURN BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Gifts will benefit Miami County Right to Life or St. Bonaventure Indian Mission School. Place your money or check inside the card, and deposit in the collection basket. Checks made payable to "Miami County Right to Life," or, those for St. Bonaventure should be made to "Transfiguration." Learn about St. Bonaventure by searching the web for: *St. Bonaventure Indian Mission and School, Thoreau, New Mexico.*

YOUTH MINISTRY

NEXT YOUTH MINISTRY NIGHTS:

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

November 23 and December 7

Junior High & High School Youth Groups have been learning about mission and service work! They assisted in organizing historic church documents and photos to beautify a common space and are writing beautiful prayers to gift to those who will be shut in or in a nursing home during this upcoming holiday season! With more than 40 teens from our five churches each Sunday, there is plenty of fellowship and fun to be had! All students grades 7-12 are invited! Special thanks to our parents and parishioners for supplying funds and food and helping hands while our students "break bread" together at our dinners. And we are blessed by the growing young adult Core Team who helps lead.



The REMIND App made a security update – Be sure to download the app in order to see OLF Youth Ministry updates, notifications and announcements.



DOWNLOAD THE REMIND APP TO GET QUICK ANNOUNCEMENTS!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP
ENTER THIS CODE TO JOIN:
@ba389ek

7/8TH GRADE CCD
ENTER THIS CODE TO JOIN:
@74bgg6



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



OLF MINISTRIES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**PARENT CONFIRMATION REMINDER:
SACRAMENTAL INFO SHEET & SPONSOR'S FORM
SHOULD BE TURNED IN BY NOW.
STUDENT'S SAINT SELECTION ESSAY IS DUE DECEMBER 17!**



Our Lady of Fatima's 8th grade students are learning how to activate their God-given gifts, share their witness and Christ encounters with others, and to be missionary disciples sharing His Word through their own faith in the coming months as they approach their Confirmation. Their catechists are proud of their hard work!



BIBLES & YOUNG CATS 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.

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

Commemorative 75th Anniversary Gift
CHRISTMAS SALE!

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
2025
75TH ANNIVERSARY

DECEMBER 7 & 14 | AFTER ALL WEEKEND TRANSFIGURATION MASSES
PICK UP WHAT YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY ORDERED
OR PURCHASE A COMMEMORATIVE GIFT AFTER MASS OR AT THE OFFICE!

**COMING SOON
TO ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**New Front Steps &
Snow-Melt System Replacement**

St. Patrick Catholic Church is Still Open!
Use the side doors for liturgical events & Masses.

THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN ENTRUSTED TO:

**WILL-CON
CONSTRUCTION**

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal, 3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls
December 5 | 9:30 a.m. – Noon
Please join us as we spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA
Monthly Raffle

NEXT WEEKEND!
after all regularly-scheduled
Our Lady of Fatima Masses

3rd Prize | first pulled
= 5% of monthly sales
2nd Prize | second pulled
= 10% of monthly sales
1st Prize* | third pulled
= 25% of monthly sales

**ELIGIBLE FOR COLOR MATCH
ROLLOVER POT BONUS**
If the 1st Prize ticket color matches the
fourth pulled ticket color, winner ALSO
receives 10% of the weekend's sales plus
Rollover Pot!
When color doesn't match or prizes
aren't claimed, money goes into the
Rollover Pot.

**ST. BONIFACE & ST. MARY
PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS**

We get to provide donations to the Bethany Center Food Pantry throughout November AND December while we hold all Piqua Masses within St. Mary Catholic Church! Bethany Center clients are especially in need of canned meat, fish, vegetables, soups, stew and fruit. Other helpful items include spaghetti, pasta sauce, fruit juice, broth, gravy, peanut butter, breakfast cereal, mac 'n cheese, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, boxed dinners, instant potatoes, noodles, popcorn and cornbread mix. Toilet paper and paper towels are always appreciated. Please place your generous donations in the designated bin in the doorway nearest the candles within St. Mary. Call the Bethany Center at 937-615-9762 if you prefer to deliver directly.

OLF CURRENT EVENTS



ST. TERESA'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR RAFFLE

A heartfelt thank-you to all who helped make the St. Teresa Christmas Bazaar a joyful success! The volunteers, donors, vendors, bakers, staff and shoppers who shared their time, talents and support to bring this beloved annual event to life are appreciated. Holiday spirit filled the day, and the proceeds will continue to bless and support our parish community throughout the year. Special gratitude to Rita Mayor, Marty Speer and the entire Christmas Bazaar Planning Committee for their commitment and work in organizing this festive celebration. Congrats to our 42 prize winners! Scan the QR Code to see winners!



SAINT NICHOLAS PARTY

ST. PATRICK UNDERCROFT

DECEMBER 5, 6-7 PM

Cookies, crafts, caroling and a visit from Saint Nicholas!



ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

Thursday, December 4 | 6 PM | 3 Joes

All ladies are welcome! We hope to see you there!
Please RSVP to Bonne (937) 214-9092.

PIQUA NEWSLETTER

Please submit news for the winter issue (January, February, March) of the Piqua Parishes' Newsletter by Monday, December 8. All parish members and groups are encouraged to contribute. You may share recaps of recent activities or promote upcoming events. Send news items including photos to jnrhemm@yahoo.com, 937-788-8642 or drop off to the Piqua parishes' office.

A VISIT WITH ST. NICK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

AFTER 9:15 AM & 11 AM MASS | ST. MARY VESTIBULE

ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO VISIT AND RECEIVE A GIFT FROM ST. NICK FOR THIS ANNUAL EVENT!
SPONSORED BY ADULT FAITH FORMATION!

Shepherds of Christ Ministries
A MOVEMENT DEDICATED TO THE RENEWAL OF THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

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 Shepherds of Christ Ministries.

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.

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

OLF CURRENT EVENTS



NOVEMBER 23: FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build His kingdom here on earth. In the month of October, through your gifts, the Society of St.

Vincent de Paul was able to help build the kingdom of God by assisting 40 families in Troy, preventing eviction through \$3,306 in rent assistance and \$1,930 in utilities assistance to avoid disconnection. We turned away 42 requests for assistance due to limited funds. Thank you for your generosity! For more info about St. Patrick conference of St. Vincent de Paul, or to volunteer, contact John Tishaus at 937-266-3032 | stpattroy.svdvp@gmail.com. Donations can also be mailed to: St. Patrick Catholic Church, Attn: St. Vincent de Paul.

Transfiguration Doughnut Sunday November 30, after both Masses



SCHOOLS

C.Y.O. VOLLEYBALL

CALLING ALL 4th, 5th & 6th grade girls!

Must be a member of a church within Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes or attend St. Patrick or Piqua Catholic Schools

When: Jan. through March 2026. Games on Saturdays & Sundays.
(possible weekday game.) Games at local parishes within the Dayton area.

Practice Times:

4th grade: Mon. & Wed.: 6:00 -7:15PM

5th grade: Mon. & Wed.: 7:00 -8:15PM

6th grade: Mon. & Wed.: 5:00 -6:15PM

All practices held in the St. Patrick Parish Center Gym

Cost: \$85 & due at first practice.

Signups due by December 12th
Contact Amanda Unger
at amandaunger@gmail.com

Friendly competition with other local parishes!



STUDENT COUNCIL VISITS THE BETHANY CENTER

Piqua Catholic 4th-6th grade Student Council representatives visited the Bethany Center to serve lunch and assist where needed. They also delivered the socks and gloves purchased with proceeds from their most recent "Out of Uniform Day" funds. During their visit, students toured the facilities and saw firsthand where donations from our canned food and toy drives are distributed.

"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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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:*

Callie & Knox, children of Matthew & Lindsay Dye (SP)
Riley Johnson, son of Thayne Johnson & Jamie Murphy

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

Leo Wildenthaler (SP)
Leo Grilliot (SP)

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

Tod & Julie Heckman and children: Emma & Mitchell (SP)

CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks for your support & congrats!

SP Weekly Raffle Winner 11/17

Tom Behm

SP Monthly Raffle Winner – October

November Winner Coming Soon!

Piqua \$7-a-Month Club Raffle – November

December Winner Coming Soon!

Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 11/17-21

Vicki Pierre, Doug Murray,
George White, John Caulfield,
Angie Holbein

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. BONIFACE *(Masses are moved to St. Mary.)*

Saturday, November 29 – 3:30 p.m.

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

Sunday, November 30 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	J. Garman, L. Garman, W. Garman
Extraordinary Ministers	ME Buechter, B. Decknadel, D. Decknadel, A. Woehmyer
Lectors	K. Zimmerman, M. McDonald
Sacristan	D. Decknadel
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, Volunteer, M. Cool

ST. MARY

Saturday, November 29 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	B. Johns, K. Johns, V. Karn
Extraordinary Ministers	A. Epperly, M. Epperly, B. Hewitt, MJ Karn
Lectors	Sister Ginny, K. Wendeln
Sacristan	B. Elliott
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, R. Foster, Volunteer

Sunday, November 30 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	G. Sherman, H. Sherman, S. Weiser
Extraordinary Ministers	M. Giesseman, Sister Mary Alice, B. Karpinski, Volunteer
Lectors	R. Foster, T. Foster
Sacristan	D. Stonerock
Ushers/Greeters	D. Francony, P. Jenkins, Volunteers

ST. TERESA

Sunday, November 30 – 7:30 a.m.

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

ST. PATRICK

Saturday, November 29 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	CC Subler, J. Subler
Extraordinary Ministers	M. Subler, Dcn. John, P. Fenter
Lector	K. Miller
Sacristan	S. Carlin

Sunday, November 30 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	D. Russel, L. Subler
Extraordinary Ministers	P. Menker, K. Jent, A. McDonough
Lector	T. Jent
Sacristan	J. Lehrter

Sunday, November 30 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	E. Taylor, J. Thomas, J. Thomas
Extraordinary Ministers	H. Spaide, J. Taylor, M. Via, P. Cartwright, P. Smith
Lector	T. Cianciolo
Sacristan	P. Cartwright

Sunday, November 30 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	S. Goubeaux, C. Tremblay
Extraordinary Ministers	N. Tremblay, Dcn. John, A. Tremblay
Lector	S. Keller
Sacristan	N. Tremblay

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Sunday, November 30 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	X. Hummel, L. Hummel, T. Hummel
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Williams, Volunteers
Lector	T. Sollenberger
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	N. Craport, B. Hoffman, Volunteers

Sunday, November 30 – 10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	O. Sanders, D. Harrison, F. Harrison
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Platfoot, W. Dexter, L. McCartan
Lectors	J. Volk, G. Dexter
Sacristan	R. Gallegos
Ushers	S. Barga, E. Barga, C. August, L. Manson



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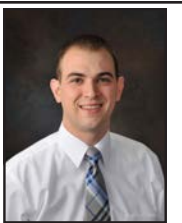


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