



APRIL
12
 2026
 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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, Fr. Martin Bachman
SUNDAY ASSOCIATE: Fr. Joseph Kozar | **DEACON:** John Carlin



"(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

Day	Parish	Time
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 alongside of us. Find resources, ways to get involved in parish life and times and places of worship within the bulletin. Follow "Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes – Ohio" on Facebook to connect further.

To register for a church, or if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, we are here to support you – contact a church office to be welcomed.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OFFICE!

PARISHIONER CONTACT INFO: Be sure to keep your address, phone number and e-mail 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 Baptism Class: pat@fatima-family.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: In order to serve as a volunteer with children within Our Lady of Fatima, you must be Archdiocesan-compliant and registered with the SafeParish program.

FORMED

Find great content and wholesome Catholic programs, movies, books and resources, at "FORMED!" This online resource is a gift to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes' parishioners. Please take advantage of it! Visit stpattroy.formed.org. Simply enter "St. Patrick, Troy, OH," your name and e-mail. Everyone can use it!

ADJUSTMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR NEW GOOGLE ACCOUNTS AND WEBSITE MAINTENANCE. HISTORIC QR CODES ARE INACTIVE. YOU CAN CONTINUE TO FIND THE **WEEKEND MASS & PRIEST SCHEDULE** ON OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCHES' WEBSITES.

HOW CAN I HELP?



CATHOLIC RELIEF

SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week, Our Lady of Fatima will take up a collection for Catholic Relief Services. Funds provide food to the hungry, support for displaced refugees, and bring

Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously and **reveal Christ's love** to those most in need. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief. iGiveCatholics also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to give online.

APPLY BY APRIL 30!

See the full position description!



YOUTH MINISTRY & YOUNG ADULT COORDINATOR

Seeking a joyful witness to mentor & guide middle/high school students toward a life with Christ with a vibrant & organized Youth Ministry program. Successful candidate will also engage the Young Adult community with social & spiritual activities.

Send Letter of Interest, Resume & Two Letters of Rec to:

HR@FATIMA-FAMILY.ORG

Our Lady of Fatima

FAMILY OF PARISHES
ST. BONIFACE-PIQUA | ST. PATRICK-TROY | ST. MARY-PIQUA
TRANSFIGURATION-WEST MILTON | ST. TERESA-COVINGTON

Our Lady of Fatima's church offices will be closed on April 22 and 23 for a staff fiscal-year planning retreat. Throughout the week, and during these special sessions, when our staff gathers, they pray for personal and parish intentions and grow together in faith. Our churches, volunteers, parishioners, deceased, clergy and religious, those receiving the Sacraments and those to be converted to a life with Jesus are lifted.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

- Matthew 18:20

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 13			
7:45 AM	St. Patrick	OLF Parish Priests & Deacons	<i>St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr</i> <i>Acts 4:23-31</i> <i>Jn 3:1-8</i>
8:15 AM	Transfiguration	Matthew Klein	
12:10 PM	St. Boniface	†Nicholas J. Cutcher	
TUESDAY, APRIL 14			
7:45 AM	St. Patrick	†Living & Deceased of the PW McRaven Family	<i>Acts 4:32-37</i> <i>Jn 3:7b-15</i>
8:30 AM	St. Boniface	Deceased of the Staley Family	
12:00 PM	Transfiguration	†Robert Battson	
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15			
7:45 AM	St. Patrick	Oliver Lane	<i>Acts 5:17-26</i> <i>Jn 3:16-21</i>
8:15 AM	Transfiguration	† Purgatorian Mass: Theresa Lawson, Betty Butler, Sheila Bushong, Deceased of the McCabe & Scott Families	
8:30 AM	St. Mary	†Scott Boram	
THURSDAY, APRIL 16			
8:15 AM	Transfiguration	†Nancy Desch	<i>Acts 5:27-33</i> <i>Jn 3:31-36</i>
8:30 AM	St. Patrick	Wesley Wenning	
8:30 AM	St. Boniface	†Frank & Betty Barhorst	
FRIDAY, APRIL 17			
7:45 AM	St. Patrick	†Steve Baker	<i>Acts 5:34-42</i> <i>Jn 6:1-15</i>
8:15 AM	Transfiguration	Charley Ankerman	
8:30 AM	St. Mary	†Joe Evans	
SATURDAY, APRIL 18			
8:30 AM	St. Mary	†Dick Rihm	<i>Acts 6:1-7</i> <i>Jn 6:16-21</i>
3:30 PM	St. Boniface \$	†Edgar Penny & Jason Penny	
5:00 PM	St. Patrick \$	†Jack Black	
5:00 PM	St. Mary \$	†Stephanie & Michele DePriest	
SUNDAY, APRIL 19			
7:30 AM	St. Patrick \$	†Melvin & Pat Schlater	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Acts 2:14, 22-33</i> <i>1 Pt 1:17-21</i> <i>Lk 24:13-35</i>
7:30 AM	Transfiguration \$	†Darla Brown	
7:30 AM	St. Teresa \$	† Purgatorian Mass: Deceased of Rindler & Pleiman Families	
9:15 AM	St. Mary \$	†Keith Oder	
9:30 AM	St. Patrick \$	†Tony & Rose Nagel	
10:00 AM	Transfiguration \$	†Clete & Pat McEldowney	
11:00 AM	St. Boniface \$	Living & Deceased of OLF	
11:30 AM	St. Patrick \$	†Tobias Callan	

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

MENTAL WELLNESS FOR THE FAITHFUL

Peace be with you. This is the third entry in a series where we are unpacking St. Thomas Aquinas' remedies for navigating distress and sorrow. As a refresher, those tips are pleasure, weeping, sympathy of friends, contemplating truth and taking a bath or sleeping. Last time, we addressed St. Thomas' teaching and associated practical tips for engaging pleasure. Today, let's look at weeping. According to St. Thomas, "tears and groans naturally assuage sorrow." He goes on to add that something that hurts us hurts more if we strive to keep it "shut up" inside, whereas allowing the hurt to escape through tears or moans cooperates with the soul's intention and leads to a lessening of the pain. He also adds that crying when in pain is befitting, or appropriate, for someone in pain. In other words, if you're in pain, you have permission to cry and you should because it's good for you. It surprises me how often people who are in pain apologize to me when they start crying. Whether you "recently" experienced the death of a loved one or are experiencing a time of significant distress, crying is healthy, natural and valuable. I put recently in parenthesis here because it is hard to define an appropriate timeline for grief and sorrow. St. Thomas' advice: if you can feel like your soul is urging you to cry, let it out. Lastly, if you feel a desire to cry, but just can't seem to, look at a picture or listen to that special song. This might just do the trick. Persevere my brothers and sisters, for God is with us always. Come and see.

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FR. ERIC BOWMAN RAMBLINGS

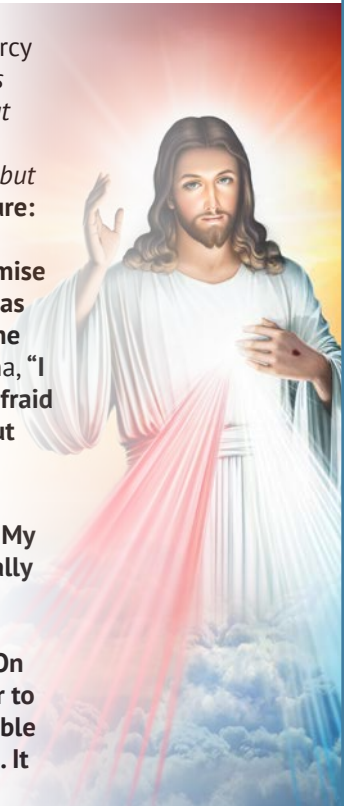
A Celebration of God's Infinite Mercy

In the spring of 1997, while I was teaching at Centerville High School, I had two profound experiences that brought me back to my faith. During the second experience, I went to Confession for the first time in more than 13 years. It was a beautiful encounter of God's infinite Mercy and His desire that I would be in union with Him.

On April 6, I was invited by my friends to attend Divine Mercy Sunday at Emmanuel Catholic Church in Dayton. I had only recently returned to attending church. God placed on my heart the desire to be forgiven for all my many transgressions against His Most Sacred Heart, which meant I had to find the courage and the humility to go to Confession. So this invitation from my friends was providential. The problem was, I had never heard of Divine Mercy Sunday. It didn't matter though, because all that mattered was drawing closer to God, so I accepted the invitation. But the question remained in my mind of what is Divine Mercy Sunday?

On February 22, 1931, Sister Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun, received the first of many revelations pertaining to her mission in life: That is to be the secretary, apostle and messenger of The Divine Mercy to all mankind. She described this revelation: *"In the evening, when I was in my cell, I saw the Lord Jesus clad in a white garment. One hand raised in the gesture of blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From beneath the garment, slightly drawn aside at the breast, there were emanating two large rays, one red, and the other pale. In silence, I kept my gaze fixed on the Lord, my soul was struck with awe, but also with great joy...Jesus said to me, 'Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus I Trust in You (Gesu, Ufam Tobie). I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over its enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I myself will defend it as My own glory....I desire that there be a Feast of Mercy. I want this image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter; that Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy."* Jesus goes on to state to Sr. Faustina, *"I desire that priests proclaim this great mercy of Mine towards souls of sinners. Let the sinner not be afraid to approach Me. The flames of Mercy are burning Me – clamoring to be spent; I want to pour them out upon these souls."* (47-52 diary)

And in the fall of 1936, Our Lord again appeared to Sr. Faustina and explained the full meaning and grace of venerating and celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus told her, *"Tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day, the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. The soul (person) that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day, all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity....the Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter."* (699 Diary)



I would like to invite you to experience the same Divine Mercy joy that I did 29 years ago, by attending our Divine Mercy celebration on Sunday, April 12 at Transfiguration. God is calling you to probe the depth of His Love and Mercy.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY | THIS WEEKEND, APRIL 12

Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Chaplet & Prayers

Church of the Transfiguration | 12:00-3:15 p.m.

12:10-3:00 p.m. Confession, 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3:15 p.m. Benediction

A plenary indulgence can be obtained on the Feast of Divine Mercy.

- As stated in the 2002 decree, this can be done by going to a church on Divine Mercy Sunday "in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin," and participating in the prayers held in honor of Divine Mercy. Those practices could consist of devotions such as the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Confession.
- The faithful could also visit the Blessed Sacrament either exposed or in the tabernacle and recite the Our Father, the Nicene Creed and a devout prayer to Christ. The example of a devout prayer that is given in the decree is *"Merciful Jesus, I trust in You!"*

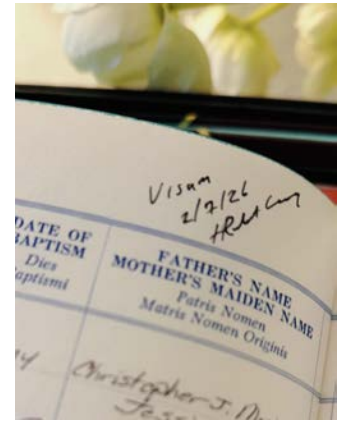
In order to receive the indulgence, the three usual conditions must also be met:

- Go to Confession.* *The Church permits the Sacrament up to 20 days before/after the day.*
- Receive Holy Communion in a state of grace.
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- Venerate the image of the Divine Mercy.



DID YOU KNOW?

Here's a job that might not be taken by AI! Did you know that when the Archbishop presides for Confirmation Masses at his parishes, he verifies the Sacramental Register (historic books and records) from each of our churches from the past year? These historic records are stored in a fireproof safe for storage, and document First Communion, Confirmation, Marriages, Deaths/Interment. Throughout each church's history, a parish office administrator or key volunteer is designated to pen and record important Sacramental information. When presiding for Our Lady of Fatima's Confirmation Masses, Archbishop Casey lightheartedly said, "Did you know, I'm checking penmanship?"



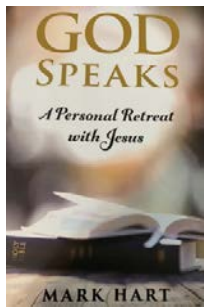
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – APRIL 26, 2026

The Catholic Church will observe the World Day of Prayer for Vocations on Sunday, April 26, 2026, inviting the faithful to pray that the Lord "send out laborers for His harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2) and to support a culture of vocational discernment.

OLF MINISTRIES

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

OCIA participants: Your participation may qualify as an "elective." Ask your mentor.



"GOD SPEAKS: A PERSONAL RETREAT WITH JESUS WRITTEN BY MARK HART"

You're invited to join a group discussion beginning Thursday, April 16 at 2:00 p.m. in the St. Teresa parish hall, on Thursdays until May 28 (seven weeks). In this little book, carefully chosen Scriptures, real life stories, personal reflections and guided prayers will help you fully encounter God and hear His voice. The greatest gift you can give yourself is the gift of time with God. Please purchase your book prior to coming to the first meeting. Books may be purchased at The Word Among Us Press (301) 874-1700 or at amazon.com. Registration is requested. Please contact Rita Mayor (937) 405-9682 or RMayor2@verizon.net.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Youth Group | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Grades 7-12

NEXT YOUTH GROUP: April 12

Transfiguration Youth Building
TEEN DINNER PROVIDED!

Thank you to the parents and parishioners who choose to support this awesome ministry for our young people! We are blessed.



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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

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TO JOIN:
@ba389ek

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please pray for 70 Our Lady of Fatima second grade students from our CCD and our Catholic schools who have been preparing to receive their First Communion! There will be special Masses for classes on April 11, April 18 and May 2!



SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Be part of the Summer Camp Team! SAVE-THE-DATE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 15 for a four-day Bible Camp (age 4 through grade 5). **Volunteers are needed for these fun events to happen!** Responsible teenagers are welcome to serve, too! Please contact Susan Anderson at susan@fatima-family.org.

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

ROSARY WALKS ARE BACK!

Mark your calendars for this year's Rosary Walks hosted at the Transfiguration Center at the Lange Estate:



April 26 | May 31 | June 28 | July 26 | August 30

Walks will begin behind the Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal at the gold fish pond and gardens at 4:00 p.m. Family dinner follows the prayer! The Center graciously provides meat and drinks – please bring a dish to share. No need to preregister. This is such a good time for the kids to learn their faith, practice it and then have some fun with other Catholic friends. For questions, feel free to call (937) 698-7180.



One Hour - One Purpose - God's Children

TUESDAYS | 6-7 PM

**St. Boniface Catholic Church
310 S. Downing St., Piqua**

Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility and for God's children to faithfully return to the Catholic Church.



The one-hour of prayer includes meditation, a scripture reading, hymns and the Rosary. You are invited to participate in this powerful and quiet prayer group according to your availability.

Susan (937) 214-0579, Donna (937) 615-4538, Cindy (937) 541-9533



Art & Craft Night

Project: Lace Canvas Painting

**Transfiguration Church
April 23 | 7:00 p.m.
All are welcome!**

**All supplies will be provided!
RSVP: Jeanie@fatima-family.org**



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 | APRIL 18

**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



Mike Epperly has humbly, loyally and generously served the role of daytime coordinator for St. Clare Adoration Chapel since 2019. Thank you for sharing your love of the Lord in this special way!

"Thank you Mike for your commitment to the Chapel and for your example of devotion to Our Lord through the reverent Adoration hours you personally keep. Your service in making sure that Our Lord is not alone has been very appreciated." - Fr. Eric

We are pleased to welcome the following parishioners who have said "YES to the call" to coordinate day shifts and guardians for the St. Clare Chapel as Mike has officially resigned:

Susan Curtis, Mike McDonald, Tina Miller & Ann Curtis!

Mary Jane Karn continues to graciously coordinate the night shifts, as well.

To find out more about becoming a guardian or substitute of Our Lord for a Holy Hour, please contact:

Day Shift Contact - Susan Curtis 937-214-0579

Night Shift Contact - Mary Jane Karn 937-214-0476

OLF CURRENT EVENTS

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH CAPITAL PROJECT



You'll notice that Wil-Con will make two concrete pours in the next week on the front steps which will need proper curing time and a lot of hand-work by a full construction crew. The boilers for Snow Melt system have been ordered and will be installed inside. They are making a plan with the City of Troy to get the curb and sidewalk completed next. The handrails and stonework will be the last step of this Phase II. Phase III will begin soon after.

See the back of the Transfiguration/St. Teresa bulletin for an advertisement in the "extras" section for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, July 24-26 in Kentucky!

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

WHO: Ladies of St. Mary Catholic Church

WHAT: Lunch and business meeting

WHEN: April 13, 12:00 noon

WHERE: The Lighthouse at the Locks

Hope to see you all there!

SCHOOLS

Welcome, Spring! And thank YOU for being such an important part of our school community – we are grateful for your ongoing support and partnership as we work together to help our students grow. Fourth quarter is a very busy and exciting one and third quarter was great. Time is flying!

- Science Fair featured talented students from 6th and 8th grades at St. Patrick & Piqua Catholic on February 11. An outstanding 84 students participated – congratulations to everyone who took part. Many projects showcased strong research and creativity, and several students advanced to the district level. Well done!
- Fourth quarter began March 23.
- Registration for the 2026–2027 school year is now open for Preschool through 8th grade.
- Please register early to secure your spot.
- Kindergarten readiness assessments were completed in March. Both campuses are anticipating very high Kindergarten enrollment for 2026–2027!
- 8th grade graduations: Piqua Catholic: May 19, St. Patrick: May 15
- The last day of school is May 22 with a two-hour early dismissal.
 - Piqua Catholic Preschool: May 14 with PK graduation
 - St. Patrick Preschool: May 15 – last day; PK end-of-year picnic and PK graduation is May 19

Action Items / Reminders:

- If you have a child entering Preschool, Kindergarten, or any grade next year, please complete registration soon.
- Mark graduation and last-day dates on your calendar; more details about times and locations will be shared as they are finalized.

We hope families enjoyed a restful Easter break. School resumes on April 14, welcome back! If your family needs assistance with registration, transportation questions, or other supports, please contact the school office – we're here to help. To tour the school or if you have questions, please contact me. Thank you, again, for your support. We are truly blessed to have such giving parishes.

Cyndi Cathcart, Principal of Schools

Pray, hope and don't worry. – St. Pio of Pietrelcina

Who's ready for some baseball? The Dayton Dragons Community Night featuring Piqua Catholic School is scheduled for June 11, game starting at 7:05 p.m. Come early to hear our very own Piqua Catholic Choir sing the National Anthem AND the Lehman choir sing "God Bless America!" Get your tickets and see the registration form at the entrance of Our Lady of Fatima's churches. Play ball!

SCHOOLS

TURN TAX DOLLARS INTO TUITION ASSISTANCE

Ohio Tax Credit for Donations

The Catholic Education Foundation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (CEF) is certified by Ohio as a scholarship-granting organization (SGO). Ohio taxpayers who donate to SGOs may be able to claim a dollar-for-dollar, non-refundable tax credit on their state income tax return for up to \$750 per donor (up to \$1,500 if married and filing jointly)!

In 2025, the CEF-SGO raised more than \$4 million! These funds will benefit families in need of tuition assistance. Donations to the CEF-SGO can be designated to benefit a specific school(s). CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO.

Select Piqua Catholic School or St. Patrick Catholic School!

Please consult your tax advisor.



Bourbon Raffle

THE COMPLETE W.L. WELLER "RAINBOW" COLLECTION

Six highly allocated bottles. One lucky winner.

Drawing April 25th



Enter Online
\$25



Benefiting Piqua Catholic School



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

Piqua Knights of St. John | Doug Francony, 937-214-4915

Troy | St. Patrick Knights of Columbus | Ian Unger, 419-733-9159

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:*

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Robert Myers (SP)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Family of Parishes!

CHURCH/SCHOOL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks for your support & congrats!

SP Weekly Raffle Winner 4/6

SP Monthly Raffle Winner - April

\$10-a-Month Club Raffle - April

Piqua Catholic Weekly Raffle 4/6-10

Matt Barr

Winners Coming Soon!

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Bret Reid, Mary Young,

Bill Ulbrich, Sheron Ritts,

Andy Burner

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. BONIFACE

Saturday, April 18 – 3:30 p.m.

Altar Servers	D. Johnston, D. Johnston, R. Henry
Extraordinary Ministers	K. Cool, B. Daniel, J. Herbe, Volunteer, V. Pierson
Lectors	T. Sharp, R. Webb
Sacristan	R. Webb
Ushers/Greeters	C. Peltier, P. Penny, P. Wendel, T. Sharp

Sunday, April 19 – 11:00 a.m.

Altar Servers	K. Earick, N. Earick, R. Earick
Extraordinary Ministers	D. Johnson, G. Johnson, M. McDonald, K. Roth
Lectors	Sister Mary Alice, ME Buechter
Sacristan	D. Johnson
Ushers/Greeters	B. Decknadel, J. Josefovsky, J. Knapke, M. Cool

ST. MARY

Saturday, April 18 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	M. Kemmer, M. Osborne, M. Peterson
Extraordinary Ministers	B. Hewitt, MJ Karn, B. Kiefer, Volunteer
Lectors	K. Wendeln, Sister Ginny
Sacristan	B. Elliott
Ushers/Greeters	R. Ventura, P. Larger, R. Foster, Volunteer

Sunday, April 19 – 9:15 a.m.

Altar Servers	E. O'Leary, F. O'Leary, G. O'Leary
Extraordinary Ministers	C. Foster, M. Foster, R. Foster, T. Burnside
Lectors	G. Fulks, M. Galbreath
Sacristan	D. Cecil
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Sunday, April 19 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Server	Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers	J. Walter, Volunteer
Lector	K. Bartley
Ushers	A. Otte, J. Walter

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Saturday, April 18 – 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers	C. Via, N. Via
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Sunday, April 19 – 7:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	J. Andrejcio, W. Behm
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Lector	K. Vendryes
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Sunday, April 19 – 9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	F. Goubeaux, S. Goubeaux, A. Hess
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Sunday, April 19 – 11:30 a.m.

Altar Servers	C. Tremblay, Volunteer
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Lector	T. Sollenberger
Sacristan	R. Dzendzel
Ushers	A. Brown, D. Brown, N. Craport, Volunteer

Sunday, April 19 – 10:00 a.m.

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Extraordinary Ministers	L. McCartan, M. Schubert, C. Crabtree
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