



March 12, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent

Our Church at Prayer

Sacrament of the Eucharist

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. (*en Español*) and 6 p.m.

(Child care available for age 1 and walking to age 3 during 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses)

Weekday Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

Holy Day of Obligation Mass: 6:30 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 12 noon and 7 p.m.

Civil Holidays of Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day Mass: 9 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle:

Sunday: 8 p.m.–Saturday: 12 p.m. (*excluding regularly scheduled Mass times*)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance:

Thursday: 9 a.m.–Friday: 5 a.m.

Friday: 1–6 p.m. (*On First Fridays, Exposition continues until 10 p.m., excluding Mass time.*)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Individual (Saturday): 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Recitation of The Rosary:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: in Church, following the 12 p.m. Mass.

Saturday: 7:45 a.m. in Church.

Sunday: 8:50 a.m. in Church.

Every 3rd Thursday (*en Español*): 9 a.m. in Lourdes.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday–Thursday: 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Welcome This Week

Immaculate Heart of Mary extends a warm welcome to our new parishioners. We hope that they will come to find peace and joy as they become active members of our worship community.

Justin & Danielle Deja and Lucas, Benjamin & Harrison

Cristina Escobar and Rowan

Parish Membership

We joyfully welcome new members of our parish community. Please register in the Parish Office or after each weekend Mass in the Lourdes Room. Please also let us know if you plan to move from the parish.

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of

Irene Berling, mother of Shelly (David) Bowling, grandmother of Isabelle

Kenna Fletcher, niece of Ron & Jeanne Crossman

Janice Cardone, mother of Paul (Joan) Cardone and grandmother of Tanner & Kyle Cardone

Daniel Handley, father of Alisa (Keith) Forman and grandfather of Andrew & Alexandra

Michael Taylor, son of Dottie Taylor and brother of Pete (Lisa) Taylor

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact Marisue Naber in the Parish Office at 388-4184. Parishioners scheduled for surgery are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament at a weekday liturgy before they go to the hospital.

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

Sunday, March 12

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Monday, March 13

Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

12 p.m. †Gert Schweikert, req. by Al & Maureen Dufour
 †Gerald Napier, req. by Maureen McCracken
 †Douglas A. Lambers, req. by Janet & Bob Mitchell
 †Richard Schneider, req. by the Goshorn Family
 †Charles Mohlman, req. by Cliff Robson
 †Linda Brownell, req. by Mary Beth Conover
 †Jerry Willging, req. by the Bereavement Ministry

Tuesday, March 14

Lenten Weekday

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

8:15 a.m. †Gordy Massa, req. by the McGeezers

Wednesday, March 15

Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

12 p.m. †Sr. Mary Cora Thoman, CSJ, req. by Mary Ann Thoman
 †Jim Klump, req. by Dick & Mary McConn
 †John Stefancik, req. by Mirna Feghali
 †Robert Koehlke, req. by the Puening Family
 †Walter Schott, req. by Al & Maureen Dufour
 †Mary Kay Budar, req. by the Small Christian Community

Thursday, March 16

Lenten Weekday

Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

8:15 a.m. †Amber Marie Regan, req. by Dan & Victoria Regan

Friday, March 17

Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

12 p.m. †Linda Frazer, req. by Dave & Marie Frazer

Saturday, March 18

Lenten Weekday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

8:15 a.m. †Gordy Massa, req. by Jack & Dee Gauche

Sunday, March 19

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

5 p.m. (Sat.) Intentions of Mary Baugh, req. by Paul & Eileen Karl
 7:30 a.m. †Joseph & Genevieve Surrao, req. by the Surrao family
 9:30 a.m. †Dick Riehle, req. by the Mackey & Borger Families
 11:30 a.m. †Michael Justin Fox, req. by Patty Fox
 1:30 p.m. For the Parish
 6 p.m. †Evan Cindrich, req. by Maria Gavoria

At all Masses, please pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and diaconate.

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

This Tuesday, March 14, the Archdiocese will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in all churches as we host “The Light is On For You.” We will be hearing confessions here at IHM from 6:30–9 p.m.

One of the attitudes important for a successful Lenten season is humility. Humility, the recognition of our weakness and dependence on God, is a trigger to activate our spiritual lives. Humility leads to prayer; humility leads to contrition that is necessary to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Humility puts us in the position to receive God’s mercy. When we have that attitude of humility we are able to admit we sin and our need for God.

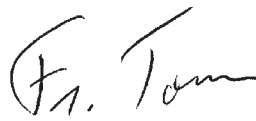
In this month’s Catholic Update, Megan Nye writes about the blessings and benefits of Reconciliation. In that piece, she names five “excuses” that we can come up with to keep us from confession. These are:

1. I have nothing to confess—maybe we should ask people who know us for suggestions.
2. My sins aren’t that big or important—St. Teresa of Avila counters this, calling it “making a truce with venial sin.” That is, saying our little sins aren’t good enough.
3. I’m too uncomfortable or ashamed—no priest will be shocked or scandalized by anything you tell him.
4. I’ve forgotten the procedures and prayers—It’s not necessary to follow the exact formula, but even so, the priest will help walk you through it.
5. I’d just be confessing the same sins again and again—We all need regular cleansing and care, even if we say some of the same things.

“The Light is On For You” is a focused time for reconciliation. While we are all welcome, it is our hope that those who have been away from the church or the Sacrament of Reconciliation for a time might use this extended time to come to confession and feel free to unload the burdens that they have been carrying.

God gives us all the grace to respond to His love and approach the Sacraments. May this time in this Lent be that special time for you.

God Bless you all,



Fr. Tom

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STEWARDSHIP ALIVE

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2nd Sunday of Lent—
Let's Go The Extra Mile!



During Lent I will go:

Quarter Mile—I will attend a daily Mass.

Half Mile—I will attend daily Mass once a week.

1 Mile—I will attend all daily Masses.

Mary taught us the importance of praying together. Will you take time to pray together with your Parish family? We can't be on this journey alone. Who will you walk with? Remember—every step matters!

Ministerio Hispano

Nuestra parroquia ofrece misa en español todos los domingos a la 1:30 p.m.

Quienes formamos parte de la comunidad hispana sabemos que puede ser difícil vivir en un país distinto al país de origen, tratando de mantener nuestra propia cultura y costumbres. IHM nos ha dado un espacio para juntarnos y ayudarnos mutuamente. La comunidad hispana en IHM sigue creciendo, con nuevas familias y miembros que se unen cada semana para participar en misa y en otras actividades. Si usted o su familia son de habla hispana y se han mudado recientemente a Anderson Township, Mt. Washington, Amelia, u otras comunidades vecinas, le invitamos a formar parte de IHM. No se pierda esta maravillosa oportunidad de compartir con otros que comparten su misma fé.



Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 7-9 p.m.



Want more information about our parish?
Send your email address by texting:

JOINIHM

to **22828** to get started.

Adoration and Exposition

PEA MOST URGENT needs are on Friday at 3 a.m. & 1 p.m. To volunteer or add your name to the sub list, contact Kathie Hayes at 513-202-3009.



Support

Weekly Offertory	Fiscal Year to Date	Please remember our church in your will.
<p>Due to vacation, we do not have offertory results for March 5, 2017, at bulletin publication time.</p>		<p>Are you interested in investing in the future of our parish? A bequest in your will for IHM could provide for enhanced and expanded ministries for God's people. Please call 388-4084 if you would like more information on how to donate.</p>

Food from the Heart Collection

The collection will be March 18 & 19 for SEM Food Pantry. Southeastern Ecumenical Ministry Food Pantry distributes food to applicants who have been screened to ensure eligibility.

By donating just a few cans or boxes of non-perishable food items or toiletries such as shampoo, bar soap, or deodorant, we can help families who have fewer resources than us. Please bring donated items to church next week and put them in the bin provided in the vestibule. For additional info please call Sherrie Heyse at 474-1514.



Knights of Columbus Parish Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus monthly breakfast will be held Sunday, March 19 following 7:30 & 9:30 a.m. Masses

We have buffet favorites including biscuits & gravy, pancakes, home-made potatoes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit, bakery, along with orange juice and coffee. We also feature made-to-order omelets and goetta. Adults are \$7, children 3-12 are \$4, and all children under the age of three are FREE! All new parishioners are also invited to be our guest FREE

OF CHARGE. Bring the entire family for a delicious breakfast prepared by the Knights of Columbus. Members of the welcoming committee, IHM staff and other members of the IHM community will be available to welcome you and to answer any questions you may have.



Register Now for Summer PRP!

Summer PRP 2017 (Parish Religion Program for grades 1-8)

Summer PRP I: June 5-16 (Monday-Friday) 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Summer PRP II: June 5-16 (Monday-Friday) 5 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Summer PRP III: July 24-August 4 (Monday-Friday) 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Join us for another summer of faith filled learning and fun. The registration packets are available online, in the formation office, and in the back of church.

Need more information? Contact Tina Ramundo: Ramundo.t@ihomschool.org

ATTENTION ALL JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Are you looking for a fun way to spend part of your summer? Do you need a way to earn service hours while on Summer Break?

Join us as a student aide during our IHM Summer PRP sessions! You are guaranteed to have a great time while earning plenty of service hours. Contact Tina Ramundo: Ramundo.T@ihomschool.org to reserve your volunteer placement as space is limited to the first sixteen volunteers who register for each session. We'd love to share the summer with you!

2017 Spring CRHP

Women, looking for a real opportunity to bloom in your faith? Take some time for yourself to be with the Lord.

Consider signing up for an upcoming Christ Renews His Parish Renewal (CRHP) weekend on March 25–26, 2017. CRHP is a transformative 30-hour retreat open to adults of our parish who have not experienced a CRHP retreat in the past 10 years. Please email ihmcrhp68@gmail.com or call Joy Copfer 513-310-6776 or Karla Cruz 513-206-5159 for more information. We are so looking forward to meeting you.

The next Men's Weekend is April 29–30. Contact Bill Rehl for more information, at blrehl_3@fuse.net or 513-319-9290.

SHOP \$MART FOR IHM Tip of the Week

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day using
Gift Cards from Shop\$mart

Before you go shopping for your corned beef and cabbage, pick up gift cards for Kroger, Jungle Jim's, Meijer, GFS, Wal-Mart or Sam's Club.

Going out to dinner instead?—Purchase gift cards for Clough Crossings, Jersey Mike's, O'Charley's, Subway, Bonefish Grill, Applebee's, Frisch's, or Seasons 52.

Kroger Community Rewards—THANK YOU!

Thank You to the 284 households who are participating in the Kroger Community Rewards program and earn rewards for IHM every time they shop at Kroger. For the third quarter from Nov–Jan., IHM received \$2994.67 from Kroger based on your purchases using your registered IHM Kroger Plus Card.

IHM is lucky that you participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Thanks for all your efforts.

If you need to register your Kroger Plus Card to earn rewards for IHM, follow these simple steps. Sign in to your Kroger.com account, go to Account Settings, click on the Community Rewards tab and enter our organization code—80001. Save your changes and you'll begin earning rewards for IHM when you use your Kroger Plus card. You'll know you are earning rewards for IHM by the message on the bottom of your grocery receipt indicating your Community Rewards go to Immaculate Heart of Mary.

CAMP BOSCO

Camp Bosco Registration is open!!

IHM is proud to announce its fourth annual Camp Bosco, this summer from June 26–30! Come and explore our awesome Catholic Faith through games, talks, community, adventures (including a trip to Coney Island!), and the Sacraments. This year's theme is all about Mary, the Mother of God—Our Mother too. If you want to have fun and make some awesome memories while growing in your faith, Camp Bosco is for you!

Open to all incoming 6–8 grade students (as of 2017–18 school year). Visit ihom.org to learn more and register!!

Fair Trade Products On Sale in the Fatima Room

Fair Trade coffee, cocoa, chocolate bars and olive oil will be on sale in the Fatima room this weekend after all Masses.

Every cent you pay for fair trade products has real, positive effects. Your purchases are what make Fair Trade work for small farmers. It allows them to make enough money so they can stay where they live and afford amenities we take for granted like food and health care.

So please consider buying Fair Trade coffee, cocoa and chocolate and help plant the seeds of hope while enjoying a delicious product.



Baptism Prep March 13

Parents desiring to have their child baptized, please call the Formation Office at 388-4093. The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, March 13, 7:30 p.m. in the church. It will be a great help knowing when you will be attending this session. We encourage you to come during the 7th or 8th month of pregnancy, if at all possible.

IHM Ladies Night Fashion Show

Friday, March 24, 6:30–11 p.m.

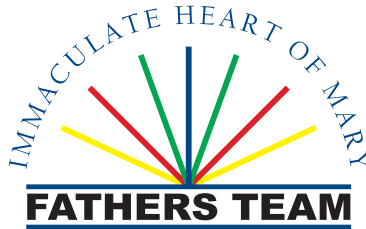
The Redmoor at Mt. Lookout Square, 3187 Linwood Avenue

Dinner | Drinks | Designer Doorprizes | Dancing

Tickets \$40 each

Email Alysha DeCurtins at alysha.decurtins@gmail.com for details.

Lent is a good time to try living outside our comfort zone. Are you willing to stretch your comfort zone in an intentional way? That is when real growth can occur in our lives. In what ways is the Lord calling us to grow in freedom as his disciple? Can we take the risk of trusting more in God’s providence. Come to our Fathers Team meeting this Friday, 3/17/17, at 6:03 a.m., in the St. Matthew Room of the IHM Welcome Center to hear a presentation on “Living Outside my Comfort Zone”. You will find practical ways to stretch your spiritual muscles and grow in freedom and inner strength. All men and fathers are welcome!



Communal Anointing & Sacrament of the Sick Healing Mass

Saturday, March 11, 3 p.m.

All who are experiencing any health situation impacting mind, body, or spirit are invited to attend this Mass. This special Sacrament and the graces which flow from it will give you strength to face your health situation with dignity and peace. If needed, assistance with parking and walking into church will be available that day from our Knights of Columbus. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

If you need a ride to church please call the parish office at 388-4466



**Lent is a time of encounter
CRS Operation Rice Bowl**

Have you joined the millions of Catholics across the country by participating in CRS’ Operation Rice Bowl? Your family is invited to pick up a Rice Bowl packet in the Fatima Room and join in this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl invites us to pray with our families and faith communities, fast in solidarity with those who are hungry, learn about our brothers and sisters around the world, and give sacrificial contributions to help those in need. This week we encounter ZAMBIA and through our joint efforts help to teach mothers good nutrition for their children.

Visit orb.crs.org for additional resources to use at home.

Please return your filled Rice Bowls by April 9. For additional information please contact Joanne Middlekamp.

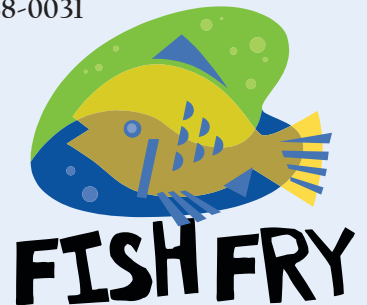
Please join us for the IHM Boosters Fish Fry Every Friday* in Lent!

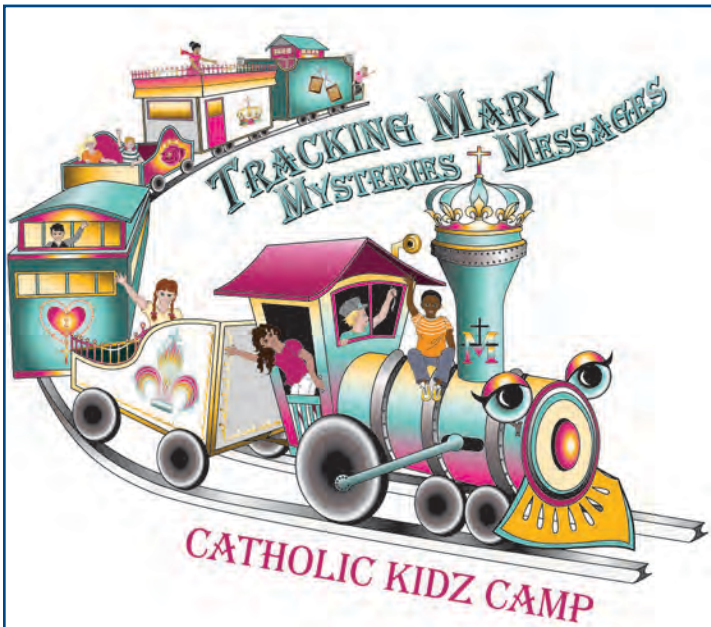
4:30–7 p.m. (*Except Good Friday), In the Cafeteria NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS! The menu includes baked and fried fish, fish tacos, shrimp Caesar salad, fries, hush puppies, pizza, macaroni & cheese, side salads, cole slaw, applesauce and delicious desserts.

Starting on March 3, running through April 7

- Adult\$8.⁰⁰
- Senior.....\$7.⁰⁰
- Child\$5.⁰⁰
- Shrimp Caesar Salad\$9.⁰⁰
- Fish Tacos\$8.⁰⁰

CARRYOUT ORDERS: 388-0031





Save The Date: VBS for grades K-5 will be Monday, June 19–Thursday, June 22

Many volunteers, both adults and youth (grades 6–12), are needed to assist and be guides/station leaders during the camp week. Volunteer sign up is currently open on the parish website under Programs/Children.

IHM's Vacation Bible School will open registration for campers entering grades K-5 soon! Registration for campers will run from Monday, April 23 through Friday, May 5, with some classes closing prior to May 5th when classes become full. Please plan to register early, as classes will fill up! Sign up on the parish website beginning April 23.

Communal Celebration of Reconciliation

Thursday, March 30, 7 p.m. at IHM

The communal Lenten Penance service, held with Guardian Angels parish, is in addition to the Archdiocese "The Light is On For You" campaign.



Sponsor of the Week

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COMING SOON!

The IHM Rummage Sale

Mark Your Calendar for May 6th, 2017!

Winter & Spring Cleaning? Start saving your gently loved, used & unused "treasures" for the parish Rummage Sale benefitting IHM's Twinning Communities, Cultural Center of Batahola Norte & Our Lady of the Mountains in Appalachia.

Donation Drop Off weekends: April 8th & 9th and April 28th & 29th

Highlights of our best sellers:

- Furniture...Jewelry...Collectibles...Tools...Sporting Equipment...Toys...Cribs...Books...Art...Rugs...Giftware...Children's Clothes...Art Glass...Statuary...Electronics...Handbags...Retro...Vintage...Antique...Modern

Large pick up item will be available upon request. Please watch future bulletins for more information and volunteer sign up.

Notre Dame Club

The Notre Dame Club of Greater Cincinnati and the Irish Heritage Center of Greater Cincinnati invite you to a free lecture on the history of Irish-Catholic immigrants in the Midwest on Wednesday, March 22 at the Irish Heritage Center (3905 Eastern Avenue, 45226), 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Notre Dame Club at club@ndcincy.com or visit ndcincy.com.

50/50 Dance

St. Louis Church is having a 50/50 Dance on March 25, 2017, from 8 p.m.–Midnight. Cost is \$10.00 per person, soft drinks and snacks are provided.

The 911 on Spiritual Warfare in the Modern World

Sunday, March 26 @ 7:00PM at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Ft. Thomas, KY. Perfect for Lent as we prepare to celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death! No tickets required. A free-will offering will be taken. Doors open at 6:00PM. For info call 859-441-3438. DON'T MISS IT!



Through the Eyes of Mary



March 3rd The Annunciation With Mary Catherine Levri

Mary Catherine was the Assistant Director of the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir and Assistant Organist at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at the University of Notre Dame before coming to Cincinnati to become the Director of Music at The Athenaeum of Ohio/Mount St. Mary Seminary. Mary Catherine also graduated from the John Paul II Institute in Washington, DC in 2008 with a master degree in theological studies. She is completing her PhD in Music at the University of Notre Dame.



March 10th The Visitation With John Leyendecker

John lived a prodigal lifestyle that led him to search for fulfillment in drugs, alcohol and unchaste relationships until his conversion to Catholicism in 1999. From that place of brokenness, John shares what Jesus Christ has done in his life. He has had the opportunity to share the truth of Christ and His Church in numerous venues over the years, making him even more in demand as a speaker.



March 17th The Crucifixion With Anne Collins

Anne Collins is a speaker in the Cincinnati area, focusing primarily on devotion and consecration to the Blessed Mother. From 2005–2015, she led hundreds of people through St. Louis de Montfort's spiritual classic, "True Devotion to Mary." Her program was reviewed by the acclaimed teacher, author and retreat master, Fr. Basil Cole, OP, and is now available as a 17-part DVD series. More information and location of study groups can be found at www.stgertrude.org/TDM. Anne, her husband and five children are members of St. Gertrude Parish in Madeira, OH.



March 24th The Resurrection and Ascension With Fr. Ethan Moore

Fr. Ethan Moore is currently the parochial vicar at St. Peters in Huber Heights, along with the parishes of Old North Dayton. As a newly ordained priest some of his adventures have included a midnight Mass for New Year's Eve, the initial phase of forming a Catholic Biker Gang, and the wilds of everyday parish life. Fr. Ethan is originally from Albuquerque, New Mexico but hails McCartyville as home.



March 31st The Assumption With Jacob Popcak

Jacob Popcak is the co-host of The Son Rise Morning Show on EWTN. He's also an award-winning artist, licensed professional counselor, and internationally-recognized speaker. Combining his training in art, psychology, and theology, he has presented all over North America and abroad, reaching high school and college-aged audiences with talks that blend humor and inspiration with sound and honest theology.

Join us during Lent in 2017

Fish Fry from 4:30–7 p.m. in Cafeteria | Rosary at 6:25 p.m. in Church
Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. in the Church | Lenten Speaker at 7:30 p.m. in the Church



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WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, March 13			Tuesday, March 14			Wednesday, March 15		
3 PM	After Care	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	9:30 AM	Pastoral Staff Meeting	Bernardin	8:15 AM	School Mass Practice	Church
4:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium	9:30 AM	School Reconciliation	Church	9:30 AM	School Reconciliation	Church
5:30 PM	Girls BBall Awards	Gymnasium	9:30 AM	WOW Bible Study	St Matthew	1 PM	Bible Study	Guadalupe
7 PM	Health Ministries Comm	Bernardin	1:30 PM	Divine Will Group	Fatima	3 PM	GS Grade 3	East Heritage
7 PM	PTO Board Meeting	Holy Family	3 PM	After Care	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	3 PM	After Care	Gymnasium/Cafeteria
7 PM	CS Pack Meeting	Cafeteria	3 PM	School Musical Practice	Heritage	3:30 PM	2nd Gr Brownies	West Heritage
7 PM	Small Faith Group	Parish Library	4 PM	Stretching & Fitness Class	Preschool	4:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium
7 PM	Boy Scouts	East Heritage	4:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium	6:45 PM	Welcoming Comm	St Francis of Assisi
7:30 PM	Salve Regina Cenacle	Lourdes	6 PM	Festival Comm	Blessed Mother	7 PM	Alzheimers Family Support	Guadalupe
7:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	Blessed Mother	6:30 PM	Fernside	Cafeteria	7 PM	Bible Study	St Matthew East
7:30 PM	Baptism Preparation Class	Guadalupe/Church	6:30 PM	Light is on For You	Church	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church/St. Cecilia
9:30 PM	Men's Basketball	Gymnasium	6:30 PM	CS Lion Den	West Heritage	7:45 PM	Divine Will Cenacle	Fatima
			7 PM	Stewardship Comm	St Francis of Assisi			
			7 PM	CRHP Women #66	Holy Family			
			7 PM	Voluntary Simplicity	St Matthew			

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Thursday, March 16			Friday, March 17			Saturday, March 18			Sunday, March 19		
7 AM	Staff Breakfast Byte	West Heritage	6:03 AM	Fathers Team	St Matthew	7 AM	Food From the Heart	Vestibule	7 AM	Food From the Heart	Vestibule
8 AM	Planned Giving Comm	Holy Family	3 PM	After Care	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	8 AM	Boosters	Gymnasium	8 AM	Shop\$mart	Fatima
8:15 AM	Mass with School Children	Church	4:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium	9 AM	Journey to Justice	St Matthew	8 AM	Parish Breakfast	Heritage
9 AM	Shop\$mart	Fatima	4:30 PM	Fish Fry	Heritage/Cafeteria	5 PM	Shop\$mart	Fatima	9 AM	Childcare	St Gabriel
9:30 AM	Bible Study	Blessed Mother	6:25 PM	Rosary	Church	6 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium	9 AM	RCIA Dismissal	Guadalupe
10 AM	Moms Bible Study	St Matthew	7 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church	6 PM	K of C	East Heritage	9 AM	Journey to Justice	St Matthew
3 PM	After Care	Gymnasium/Cafeteria	7:30 PM	Speaker Series	Church	6:30 PM	MS Youth Ministry	Youth Room	9:15 AM	PRP Classes	Cafeteria/Heritage
3 PM	School Musical Practice	East Heritage				7 PM	CRHP Women #68	Parish Library	12:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium
4 PM	Stretching & Fitness Class	Preschool				7 PM			3 PM	CS Blue & Gold Banquet	Cafeteria
4:30 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium				7 PM			6 PM	Shop\$mart	Fatima
6: PM	Caregiver Support Group	Guadalupe				7 PM			7 PM	Boosters	Gymnasium
6 PM	American Heritage Girls	Cafeteria				7 PM			7 PM	HS Youth Ministry	Youth Room
7 PM	Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group	Blessed Mother				7:15 PM			7:30 PM	Confirmation Meeting	Heritage
7 PM	CRHP Men #68	Parish Library				7:30 PM			7:30 PM	AA Meeting	St Matthew
7:30 PM	RCIA	Legion of Mary/ St Francis of Assisi/St Matthew									
9:30 PM	Men's Basketball	Gymnasium									

Please volunteer an hour of prayer at the Planned Parenthood clinic on Auburn Avenue for either of IHM's two days

March 15 or April 1

We depend on people to keep this vigil hour so there is always someone at Planned Parenthood every hour all 40 days.

Pregnancy Center East, one of our IHM-supported crisis pregnancy centers, reports they are always inundated with women during the 40 DAYS, who come to them for counseling and support.

They attribute this to the peaceful vigils being held during this time.



HELP SAVE LIVES IN GREATER CINCINNATI!

You can protect mothers and children

by joining this worldwide mobilization!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 725,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 19 coordinated campaigns:

- **12,668 babies** saved from abortion
- **143 abortion** workers converted
- **83 abortion** centers closed

Here's how to take part:

- **Vigil location:** Outside Planned Parenthood, 2314 Auburn Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45219
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Mary Clark, cincy40days@fuse.net/513-791-4039
- **Learn more** and get involved by visiting our campaign at the address below!

40daysforlife.com/cincinnati

Impact

Bring faith to life. Find life in faith.

Are you listening?

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Peter, James, and John went up on a mountain with Jesus, where they saw him in his glory. As they fell prostrate in fear, Jesus touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." (Mt 17:5) May we, too, set aside our fear, listen, and follow the Lord.

Impact this month

Listen to God in **prayer**

Listen through **fasting**, in order to be more attentive to your hunger for God

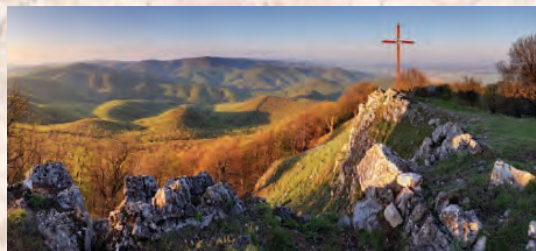
Listen by **giving** to those who are in need

Listen by **being attentive** to your heart and mind throughout this season

Eve and Adam didn't listen. They had everything they needed in the garden, most especially, a loving relationship with their Creator God. Yet, they were blind to their blessings and decided they wanted more, not even knowing what "more" might be. Others we hear about in the Sunday readings this month did listen: Abram, Samuel, Moses; the disciples, the Samaritan woman and her townsfolk; the man who was given sight: all listened and were forever changed. Their thirst was quenched; blindness gave way to sight; in listening, they encountered the living God.

The season of Lent calls us to listen more intently to the voice of the Lord. In Lent, we resolve to change our minds and hearts in order to more fully follow Jesus. Like the disciples on the mountain, we may be afraid to open ourselves to God. We wonder, what changes might we need to make? What temptations do we need to turn away from? What blessings are we blind to? During Lent, we are invited to risk what we know, allowing the Lord to lead us into an unknown and yet surely life-giving future. God desires what is best for us and for all. We really do not need to fear!

Jesus went to the disciples on the mountain and touched them. He approached the woman at the well, and the man whose sight he restored. Jesus reaches out to us as well. All we have to do is set aside our fear, listen, and follow him. ***Are you listening?***



Is something in the way? Let it go.

The woman at the well unexpectedly met Jesus. He saw beyond her isolation and drew her into a profound dialogue. Jesus named the very things that separated her from others. The woman did not allow herself to be weighed down by her past, but rather, opened herself to an encounter, to understanding, to belief, to conversion. She was so moved by her experience that she left her water jar behind and ran to the village to share the good news.



What is your water jar?

“In this Gospel passage we likewise find the impetus to “leave behind our water jar”, the symbol of everything that is seemingly important, but loses all its value before the “love of God”. We all have one, or more than one! I ask you, and myself: “What is your interior water jar, the one that weighs you down, that distances you from God?” Let us set it aside a little and with our hearts; let us hear the voice of Jesus offering us another kind of water, another water that brings us close to the Lord.” — Pope Francis, March 23, 2014

Seeing and Being Seen

This Lent, let us allow ourselves to be seen by God. The disciples were themselves with Jesus. They did not hide their fear, confusion, and questions as they walked and talked with Jesus on the way to Jerusalem. The woman at the well and man who was born blind did not keep the complicated parts of their lives from the Lord. They did not hide their isolation and desire to be accepted by others from his loving sight.

Sometimes, we are spiritually blind. We fail to see God’s presence and action in our lives, and we do not see

ourselves clearly. Jesus sees beyond our limitations, weakness, and sinfulness, and helps us see God’s love and powerful mercy.



Held in God’s loving sight, the messy situations, conflicts, fatigue, and persistent longing for peace in our lives and world may not seem quite so impossible to resolve. When we look at life with the assurance that God is with us through it all, our spiritual blindness is healed. Like the man who was born blind, our eyes will be opened to God’s ways. The situations may remain, but our view of them changes. In turning our sight toward God during Lent, we are given clearer vision for the future.

How have you seen God at work recently? How will you allow yourself to be seen by God this Lenten season?

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



The Light of the World

Lord of all the nations,
you gather us into your arms
and bless us with your love and mercy.
Give us your eyes, so we may see you
in all peoples,
and respond to the needs of the
most desperate.
Give us your hands to reach across barriers
and repair the wounds wrought by closed
hearts and minds.

Give us your loving heart,
so in our lives we may, as Abram,
do your will
and work to become one community
of the earth.
May the blessings you instill in us
become blessings for all;
and may Christ, the Light of the World
shine on all peoples.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

March 12, 2017

Transfixed or Transfigured



Today's Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9. Moses, Elijah, and Jesus are transfigured on the mountaintop. Peter, James, and John are transfixed on the same mountaintop. On this Second Sunday of Lent, we are in awe of all six figures, for we seek to be transfigured, to be changed and enlightened, as are these three giants of the Scriptures. Today's Gospel also is read at the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6. Each person transfigured on the mountaintop is significant for the season. Moses spent forty days on Sinai, twice, and led the Israelites for forty years through the desert. Elijah spent forty days in the wilderness, in a cave, and is also here with Jesus. The Law, the prophets, and the Messiah did not gain the Light of being transfigured without time in the wilderness, desert, or moun-

tain. They did not gain the Light of being transfigured without being tempted and without being supported through prayer for those days and years.

We are in the early days of our forty days. Are we supporting ourselves with prayer? Are we taking time finding our mountaintop, cave, or wilderness spot? Now is a crucial time for this Lent. If we hope to find the light and find a bit of our transfiguration, we cannot remain simply transfixed and in awe of others on the mountaintop. We need to work at our prayer, our fasting, our wilderness. No longer afraid, as Jesus tells us, we can return to our daily lives knowing that our ancestors in faith sustain us through whatever our wilderness times and places may be.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 13

Give in Good Measure

Today's Gospel reading calls us to forgive and to give generously without judgment. Forgiveness and generosity are constant Lenten themes. Our sinfulness can be outdone by our loving service to others. That is the measure by which God's love is poured out. *Today's Readings: Daniel 9:4b–10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Luke 6:36–38.*

Tuesday, March 14

Cleanse Us and We Shall Be White as Snow

Where is my Lenten almsgiving leading me? Am I putting away my misdeeds, as Isaiah directs? Only when the misdeeds are put away will my sins be washed away. Find a center for service and justice in your community and contribute without personal attention or reward. You might devote time to a homeless shelter or soup kitchen or work with a St. Vincent de Paul organization of a local parish. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 1:10, 16–20; Psalm 50:8–9, 16bc–17, 21, and 23; Matthew 23:1–12.*

Wednesday, March 15

To Serve or Be Served

The readings today challenge us to a life of service. Humility is to accompany that service, for we are not to seek reward for our service. We need to keep in mind that, as followers of Christ, we have come to “serve not to be served” (Matthew 20:28). Even as we live out our baptismal calling, how much can we give without recognition? Jesus reminds us that our place in the Kingdom is of our doing. We might reflect today on how we can serve someone with prayer and compassion. *Today's Readings: Jeremiah 18:18–20; Psalm 31:5–6, 14, 15–16; Matthew 20:17–28.*

Thursday, March 16

Simplicity

Abraham and Lazarus remind us even today that societal trappings can blur our priorities. In your home this Lent, set up a simple prayer space, with a cross, a candle, and a Bible or Lenten reflection booklet. When life's daily demands seem to overwhelm you, take time in this sacred space to center your life on God. *Today's Readings: Jeremiah 17:5–10; Psalm 1:1–2, 3, 4, 6; Luke 16:19–31.*

Friday, March 17

St. Patrick, Bishop

The first bishop of Ireland, St. Patrick is celebrated today with green, shamrocks, and parties. As is well known, Patrick converted the nation by using a shamrock to tell of the Three Persons in one God. The significance for using a simple shamrock as a teaching tool for the Trinity is a brilliant reminder that God is revealed through nature, a given community's experiences, and in personal responses to our encounters with God. *Today's Readings: Genesis 37:3–4, 12–13a, 17b–28a; Psalm 105:16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Matthew 21:33–43, 45–46.*

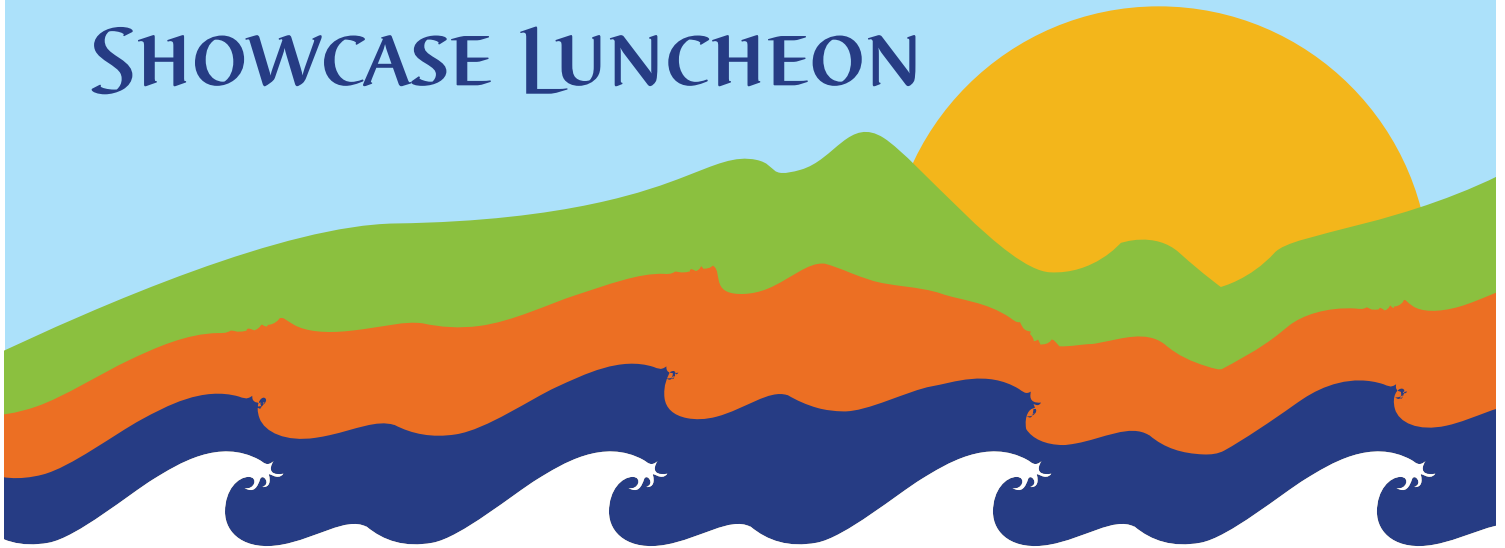
Saturday, March 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Bishop of Jerusalem in the fourth century, Cyril was known for his catechesis to catechumens at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. He shepherded his flock with love and care and was diligent in handing on the faith. Be mindful of the catechumens and candidates in your parish, and support them as they prepare to join you in living and celebrating the Catholic faith through worship and service. Welcome them along their journey. *Today's Readings: Micah 7:14–15, 18–20; Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 9–10, 11–12; Luke 15:1–3, 11–32.*



FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE SEA SHOWCASE LUNCHEON



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, HERITAGE HALL
FRIDAY, APRIL 28, OR SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017
12:00 NOON

COME JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE CULTURES OF OUR TWINNING COMMUNITIES!

Experience the cuisine, music, artisan crafts and meet the people from the Cultural Center of Batahola Norte and Our Lady of the Mountains Parish. Enjoy with us a meal, fellowship, and an opportunity to show your support for our twinning communities.

- Raffle will be held for a chance for a one week stay at an Italian villa (\$100 a ticket, please see reverse side for Villa description & details)
- Entertainment: **Friday** - Bluegrass music; **Saturday** - Asi Es Colombia Dance Ensemble
- Babysitting will be available on Friday - contact Michelle Dietz at info@signupgenius.com
- Questions, please contact Maggie Rosch at 513-232-4051 or Grottons@fuse.net

The price of \$20/person includes an international buffet. Donations can also be made in addition to the luncheon or if you can't attend but want to support our cause.

All profits directly benefit IHM's two twinning communities, Our Lady of the Mountains (OLM), Stanton, KY and Cultural Center of Batahola Norte, Managua, Nicaragua. The IHM Social Action Commission sponsors this event.

To register for the luncheon via credit card, visit <https://ihom.weshareonline.org/FromtheMountaintotheSeaLuncheon>. Raffle tickets are not tax deductible. You can also drop off the completed form below at the IHM Welcome Center.



LUNCHEON TICKETS

\$20 PER PERSON X _____ = \$ _____

FRIDAY OR SATURDAY LUNCHEON (CIRCLE ONE)

GUESTS' NAMES: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, EARMARK FTMTTS. PLEASE MAIL OR DROP OFF AT THE IHM PARISH OFFICE.

*I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND. PLEASE ACCEPT MY DONATION OF \$ _____

RESERVATIONS: MAGGIE ROSCH, 513-232-4051 OR Grottons@fuse.net

RAFFLE TICKETS

\$100 PER TICKET X _____ = \$ _____

NAME & ADDRESS: _____

TICKET WILL BE MAILED TO ADDRESS ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE LUNCHEON IF NOT ATTENDING THE LUNCHEON.

RAFFLE TICKET INFORMATION: SUE KEEFE, SKKEEFE37@GMAIL.COM

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE MARCH 18 & 19

	Presider	Deacons	Coordinators	Lectors	Servers
5 p.m. (Sat.)	Fr. Williams	Dcn. Johnson	Carol Braun Nancy Massaron	Tom Geers Dennis Schmidt Gene Baker (C)	Katie Cueto Patrick Kling Shelby Parian* Tommy Sanders
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Williams	Dcn. Johnson	Mary Anne Stockmeier	Ted Bergh Sally Schroder Mary Bruggeman-C	Daniel Reuss Jacob Reuss* William Reuss
9:30 a.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Johnson	Frank & Jayne Simms	Graham Galloway Grayden Galloway Kelly Kocher-C	Megan Balda Isabelle Bowling* Timmy Daly Landon Mohr
11:30 a.m.	Fr. Kreidler	Dcn. Cassani	Jeff & Linda Gauggel	Children's Mass	Marian Favro Madalyn Favro Ethan Koran* Henry Ropp
1:30 p.m.	Comboni Priest		Gloria Milord	Leonardo Duarte Pilar Hernandez Erika Arvizu Virginia Cabrales	Dan Mendoza Desire Mendoza
6 p.m.	Fr. Lopez	Dcn. Cassani	Mark Overley	Children's Mass	Lily Anderson Sophie Boer Carter Grubb Mia Lawrence

Reconciliation: Fr. Williams

(C) Commentator

* Server Captain

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Adoration	Kathie Hayes	Evangelization/Catechesis Comm.	John Fahrmeier	Prayer Circle	JoAnn Best
Admin. & Fin. Comm.	Tom Armstrong	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Rusty McHugh	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Carol Stretch
Altar Servers	Deacon Dave Shaffer	FATHERS Team	Rick Kasper	Prison Ministry	Terry Alvarez
Alzheimer's Family Support	Marisue Naber	Festival	Rudy Noble	PRP	Charlie Pfizenmayer
American Heritage Girls	Elizabeth Ryan	Festival Volunteers	Dale White, Jr.	RCIA	Pete Taylor
Art & Environment	Dave Auxier	Food from the Heart	Craig Connolly	Respect Life	Tina Ramundo
Boosters	Brian Young Dave Caldwell	Girl Scouts	Scott Ackerman	Retrouvaille	Jay Mather
Boy Scouts	Thomas Vaughan	Grief Support Group	Sherrie Heyse	SEM Manor	Jane Elfers
Bread Ministry	Tracy Boone	Health Ministry Comm.	Becky Leibreich	St. Vincent de Paul	Dick & Mary McConn
Bulletin	Michelle Peters	HeartBeat	Judy Sherlock	Scheduling Rooms	Cathy Beumer
Cancer Support Group	Sharon Sanker	Hispanic Ministry	Pat Armstrong	SHOP\$MART	388-4191
Catholic Divorce Survival	Carol Higgins	Hispanic Ministry Choir	Michelle Peters	Small Faith Groups	Linda Reekers
Caregiver Careline	513-929-4483	Hope Group	Gloria Milord	Social Action Coordinating Comm.	Marge English
Charismatic Prayer Group	Betsy Ross	Hospitality	Don Harrison	Theology of The Body	Debbie Birck
Child Care	Michelle Dietz	Knights of Columbus	Jan Bolubasz	Twinning CCBN	Deacon Russ Feldkamp
Communications/Print/Electronic	Michelle Peters	Lectors	Kristy Click	Twinning OLM	Missy Feldkamp
Communion/Anderson	JoAnn Best	MAGIC	Tim Arnold	Welcoming Committee	Sue Keefe
Communion/Asbury Woods	Vivian Willging	Marriage Prep	Mike Merz	Winter Gala	Judy O'Brien
Communion/Homebound	Marge Gutekunst	Men's Fellowship League	Michael Miller	Worship Commission	Gloria Ann Castleman
Communion/NEC	Carol Stretch	Music Ministry	Roxanne Your	Youth	Nickie White
Communion/SEM Manor	Joe Keeler	New Parishioner Registration	Linda Reekers		Lisa Riccardi
Core Nurses Group	Marisue Naber	NFP (Natural Family Planning)	John Hunt		Bob Andrews
CRHP Continuation Chair	Gloria Ann Castleman	PTO	David Auxier		Joanne Curoe
Cub Scouts	Kevin Novotny	Parish Coffee	Jill Ambrose		Michael Haley
Education Commission	Lea Beck	Pastoral Council	Missy Feldkamp		
Elizabeth Ministry	Marisue Naber	Planned Giving Committee	Carie Masoner		
Enthronement of the Sacred Heart	Jill Coffey Sally Schroder		Pam/Dan Payne		
			Walt Moll		
			Dick Schimpf		