

Pastor's Corner

GRATITUDE TO THE LORD

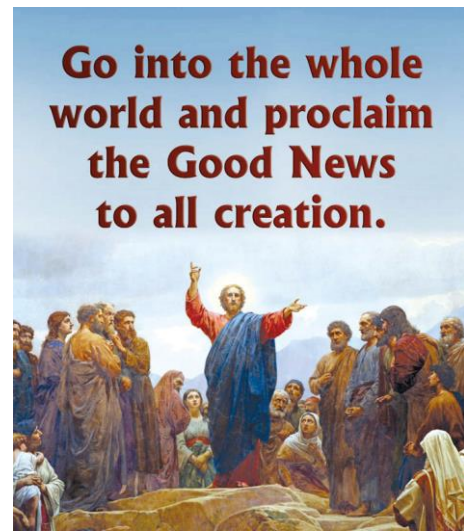
“What can I say unto the Lord? All I have to say thank you Lord, thank you Lord, thank you Lord”. We thank the Lord for the great things he has done for us as St. Benedict parish community, for seeing us through ten years of our existence. I would like to thank the committee who put the whole celebration together, the support group who gave a helping hand in one event or the other and most of all the parishioners, their friends and families, who came to embrace the occasion with their presence and funds during the banquet and the Eucharistic Sacrifice which climaxed the entire celebration. Thank you

Today we celebrate the feast of Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ into heaven, we rejoice and praise God for what we confess on every Sunday in the Creed; “He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father”. On the feast of Ascension, we do celebrate also the entrance of Jesus into his glory, both as man and God. We rejoice on this feast because we count ourselves privilege to be called upon to share in his glory, entrusted with the task of leading others into the kingdom. “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations: baptize them in the name of the father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commandments I gave you” (Mt.28:19).

Today’s feast is a feast that encourages and gives us the hope that Christ is not far from us, as we most of the time think, but so close to us. Let us take special interest in this wonderful invitation of Christ to be the disciples of all nations in making our life an exemplary teaching of Christ, inviting others, especially the youth, into join our Church community as we support those few already worshipping with us. It is our responsibility, a privilege giving to us by Christ, to make disciples of all nations and this includes our children and grandchildren I know it is not easy these days to convince these little ones to be with us but Christ assures us, “He is with us always until the end of time” Let us continue doing the good things we do always.

GRADUATION MASS

St. Benedict the Moor School graduation mass will be next Sunday May 24, 2015 at the 11am mass.



Go into the whole world and proclaim the Good News to all creation.

REGION ONE LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

[SA] = St. Augustine [SB] = St. Benedict [SM] = St. Mary
Fri. May 22 8am [SM] SM Parishioners
Sat. May 23 4:30pm [SB] SB Parishioners
 4:30pm [SM] Mary Keyes
Pentecost Sunday - Memorial Day
Sun. May 24 8:15am [SA] Alma & Don Emrick, Sr.
 9:45am [SM] Tom & Margaret Kinney,
 Gertrude Voelkl
 11am [SB] SB Parishioners
 1:15pm [SM] Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS PASTORAL REGION ONE:

[SA] St. Augustine [SB] = St. Benedict; [SM] = St. Mary
Mon. 5/11 Prayer mtg. 11am [SB]
Wed. 5/13 Bible Study 7pm [SB]
 Holy Name mtg 7pm [SM]
Thurs 5/14 Bible Study 10am [SMC]
Fri 5/15 Pentecost Novena 6:30pm [SB]
 Pentecost Novena 7pm [SM & SA]
Sun 5/17 Bible Study 10:45am [SMC]

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS May 10, 2015

St. Mary Weekly Goal: \$4116.00
 Weekly \$4457.93 envelopes used: 68
 SVDP: \$575.92 Building fund: \$105
TOTAL: \$5138.85
YTD collection \$ SHORTFALL (\$)

St. Benedict Weekly Goal \$5,200.00
May 9/10: \$3327 Maintenance: \$582.71 SVDP \$5

St. Augustine May 3: \$1408 Cap. Imp: \$100
 Cath Rel: \$30 Ascension: \$15

KROGER REWARDS ENROLLMENT

It's time to re-enroll in the Kroger Rewards Program for 2015. Just go to krogercommunityrewards.com. Sign into your account, select St. Mary and click enroll. Our number is #82604.

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PRAY FOR OUR PARISH MILITARY MEMBERS



TSgt Timothy Scott Marcum, USAF; SSgt Justin Bentley, USAF; SrA Matthew Bauer, USAF; CPT Brian Hargis, US Army; SSG Lynn Jones, US Army; Saundra Ann Morrell, USN; Ronald Morrell Pruitt, US Army, Capt. Andrew J. Konicki, USMC.; SSgt Christopher DeWitt, USAF, Sgt Alex Zavakas, US Army, SSG Bill Himes US Army; PFC Michael V. Jackson, US Army, PVT Corey Taylor, US Army, Lt. Com. Ryan Jonathan Logan, USN, SGT Stephanie Lewis, US Army, PFC Solomon A. Smith, US Army, SrA Candice Smith, USAF, EOD3 Aaron R. Gorby, USN; Davion A. Redd, USCG, Pvt Jacob Deis, USMC, SSgt Jennifer Wagner, USAF, LCpl Jacob Deis, USMC.

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED SICK of SB

In our prayers, let us remember those in need of the Lord's healing mercy, especially: Andrew Lewis, Jackie Bristow, Brenda Lewis, Mae Wilkerson, Kenneth Bronston, Zadie Buckner, Mary Helen Spanish, Ruby Hobbs, Chuck Dewitt, Valerie Smith, Phyllis Coley, Lora Singleton, Mark Wells, Gloria Patton, Jessie Campbell, Betty Jones, Pat Bell, Janis Lowery, Myrtle Truitt, Susie Roberts, Anna Brown, Richard Campbell.

IN THE NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING FROM ST. BENEDICT AND ST. MARY PARISHES

Eddie Weaver	Mary Scott
Ralph Reid	Mary Scott
Mary Paschal	Livingston Care Center
Artie Oliver	Mercy Sienna
Vernon Saine	Maria Joseph

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SHUT INS OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

Joe Szaruga, Kathy Schindler,
June Helmers and Fran Chroniak

ST. BENEDICT LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MAY 24TH – PENTECOST SUNDAY

^{1st} Reader – Jerome Johnson; ^{2nd} Reader – Christine Brown

Petitions – Tom Hall

Extraordinary Ministers – Maxine Brooks, Sharon Hairston, Carolyn Day, Derek Arnold (R); Kim Brown, Annette Young, Victor O'Basuyi, Mary O'Basuyi, Emmett Orr (L)

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 24 Lectors: Christine Partin, Fran Delegato

Eucharistic Ministers: Ken Stewart, Marie & Randy Klotz, Liz Miller, Jim Adkins, Doug Hoog, Patrick Barnett, Jean Evanchuck

Ushers: Tom Rennecker, Don Hoog, Mark Kozarec,

Servers: Micah Valentini, Ansley & Max Kozarec

ST. MARY LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 23 - 9:30am

[S] Patty Stevens

[L] Sr. Rose, Phil Doepker

[E] Chris Deavers, Mary Ellen Oomens,
Phil & Bonnie Doepker

May 24 - 9:30am

[S] Steve Epps

[L] Mary Keferl, Sally Obach

[E] Mark Bertolo, Maria Amador, Carla Chavez, Mary Jo DuPree, Peggy Falkowski, Luella McQuality

TAKE TEN & CONNECT

With God & With Others Your Faith & Daily Life

Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God's Word

Next Sunday's scripture: Acts 2: 1-11

1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13; John 20: 19-23

Describe how some person has inspired courage in you.

What gifts of the Spirit can you identify in yourself that could help transform your world?

Which gifts of the Spirit can you identify in your parish community?

How are we developing together with other laypersons a mission of liberation in our everyday life?

PENTECOST NOVENA

Our Pentecost Novena begins on Friday May 15 through to May 23. All are encouraged to participate each night at 6:30pm at St. Benedict; St. Mary and St. Augustine 7pm each night. We are in Day Light Savings now so it will still be light when we will finish driving home. Societies will animate each night. Choir will take Thursday, Friday Ladies Auxiliaries, Saturday Leisure Club (4pm), Sunday entire Congregation, Monday Holy Spirit Prayer Group, Tuesday St. Vincent's Society, Wednesday Bible Study Group, Thursday Men's Group, Friday Knights of Peter Clever, Saturday worshipers (4pm).

REGION ONE YOUTH CAMP

Our Regional Youth Camp begins this year on July 6 through 10. Please mark your calendar.



**God mounts his throne
to shouts of joy, a blare
of trumpets for the Lord.**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT BERGAMO

The Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning is seeking a **part-time Cook**, with the possibility of full time employment. Requires flexible hours to include weekends. Transportation is essential. Apply in person or submit a letter of interest and resume to Brent Devitt, Executive Director, by email to info@bergamocenter.org or by mail to Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning, 4400 Shakertown Rd, Dayton, OH 45430. (937) 426-2363

Opening for an **additional housekeeper, part-time employment**, day shift, flexible hours, includes some weekends, cleaning guestrooms and public areas, transportation essential. Apply in person or submit a letter of interest and resume to Brent Devitt, Executive Director, by email to info@bergamocenter.org or by mail to Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning, 4400 Shakertown Rd, Dayton, OH 45430. (937) 426-2363

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY AND SENIOR RESPITE PROGRAM

Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley's renovated Choice Food Pantry in Dayton is re-opening in late May, and at least four additional personal shoppers will be needed every morning (M-F) from approximately 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Also, volunteer Senior Respite Aides are needed to provide a four-hour break once a week for persons who serve as the full-time caregiver for an elderly spouse or family member. For more information, contact Cathy Guerrant at 223-7217 x1146 or volunteer@cssmv.org

SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp time is right around the corner and Carroll High School offers a variety of fun, educational camps for youth. We offer Digital Photography/Art, Drama, Young Authors, Woodworking, Music, and PATS (a free camp for special needs children, ages 8 -18), while our athletic camps feature soccer, football, basketball, wrestling and volleyball. Enroll your child in the fun! Visit our website at www.carrollhs.org/2015summercamps to register today!



Please remember in your prayers St. Mary parishioners Mary Keyes and Rose McKenna. Their funerals were held this past week at St. Mary. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Elizabeth's New Life Center is in need of medical professionals to volunteer in our Women's Centers. If you are an M.D., D.O., LPN, RN, Nurse Practitioner, Physician's Assistant or RDMS, please consider giving a few hours of your time weekly, bi-weekly or monthly to work with the under-served women in our community who may be at risk for abortion.

Please email tmiller@elizabethnewlifecenter.org or call 937-226-7414 to talk about the possibilities!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY FR. GAEKE



On May 30, 1975 Fr. Thomas Gaeke was ordained a priest at Immaculate Conception Church in Dayton. St. Francis of Assisi parish on Wilmington Pike would like to celebrate the 40th anniversary of this ordination with him on the weekend of June 6 and 7. On Saturday Fr Gaeke will be the main celebrant of the 5:30 pm Mass and he will concelebrate the Sunday Masses at 8:30 am and 11:00 am. He will preach at all the Masses. Following each Mass there will be a reception in the church hall. We cordially invite all St Mary parishioners to come and celebrate this milestone anniversary.

ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR PRAYER MINISTRY

St. Benedict the Moor Prayer Ministry will be leaving a basket at the back of the church. Parishioners are encouraged to put their petitions in the basket. Intentions will be added to the intentions during mass, after which it will be left at the Blessed Sacrament.

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ST. MARY ST. VINCENT DEPAUL REPORT APRIL, 2015

Food Given: 341 families = 878 individuals
Clothing vouchers: 1 family = 3 individuals
Furniture billing for Mar: \$1034.70
Furniture requests April: 6 families = 23 individuals
Utility Help: \$959.11; 4 families = 10 individuals
Additional food purchases \$2449.06
Non-food items purchased: \$664.56
Rent: \$455; 1 family
ID's etc: \$8.50; 1 individual
Travel aid (bus tokens & passes): \$116 = 4 people
Volunteer hours 510; Home visits: 1

Please remember these areas of need when you use your St. Vincent envelopes each month. No donation is too small. Thank you for keeping us in your prayers. Thank you also for your generous support of the St. Vincent DePaul ministry at St. Mary Church.

LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program is returning to Dayton! Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, the LPMP offers lay Catholics the opportunity to grow in faith, knowledge and skills through theological studies and spiritual formation. The integrated approach provides you with the knowledge, skills and confidence you need to become what Pope Francis calls a "missionary disciple", serving families, parishes and communities effectively.

Saturday classes allow you to maintain work and family commitments while discerning a call or preparing for new opportunities. Call Deacon Hal Belcher, 419-305-5486 or email hbelcher001@woh.rr.com for information or to schedule a personal appointment, or attend an informal information meeting Saturday May 23rd, 9:30 AM at the Pilarczyk Center, 1436 Needmore Road. The session will include the benefits of lay formation, program components, the application process and your questions.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

It's not too late to register for the Papal Mass bus trip to the World Meeting of Families Sunday, September 27 in Philadelphia. The registration deadline is June 1st. Check our webpage, <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/family-life/world-meeting-of-families-2015/register-for-the-world-meeting-of-families/>.

OFFICE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

It is with great pride that the Office of African American Catholic Ministries, on behalf of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, announces the 2015 - 2016 Archbishop Karl J. Alter Scholarship Grant Awards. In 1964, Archbishop Karl J. Alter established the Archbishop Alter Scholarship – a four-year grant to promote African American Catholic leadership among high school seniors who sought to pursue higher education. It is one of the ways the Archdiocese of Cincinnati assists in developing African American leaders who rise from their communities to affect change in our world. This year's scholarship recipients have been awarded a four-year grant of **\$1000.00** per year. *Mr. Grant Ingram*, the son of Mr. Marvin and Gayle, will graduate from Dayton Carroll High School. Mr. Ingram will be attending the Ohio State University and will pursue a degree in Molecular Genetics or Neuroscience. Mr. Ingram is a member of the Saint Benedict the Moor



CALLING MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2015

Are you a member of the Class of 2015? Are you graduating from kindergarten, grade school, high school or college?

We want to let folks in our region know and congratulate you in the bulletin for your accomplishments. Email us at stmaryparish@stmarydayton.org with all your information - who you are, where you graduated from and what your plans are for the future. We will be glad to share.