

SAINT SAVIOUR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

JUNE 6, 2021
SOLEMNITY OF THE
MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." - Mk 14:23-25

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.—St. Saviour

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.—St. Saviour

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.—St. John

Weekday Mass 8 am:

Monday, Tuesday Thursday and Friday at St. Saviour

Holyday: As Announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 pm—St. Saviour

Sundays 1/2 hour before Masses

REGIONAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8:00 a.m.—noon • 1:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

PLEASE CALL THE REGIONAL CHURCH OFFICE FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Sacrament of Baptism
- Sacrament of Marriage
- Pastoral Care of the Sick
- Information about the Catholic Church
- New Parishioner Registration
- Changes to Parishioner Registration Information or any other questions

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SUNDAY

9:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Region 11**
11:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. JOHN **John McIntosh**

MONDAY

8:00 AM MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Trey Holt**

TUESDAY

8:00 AM MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Dennis Donnelly**

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

8:00 AM MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Darrell Topmiller,**
Birthday Rem.

FRIDAY

8:00 AM MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Evey Broerman**

SATURDAY

4:00 PM MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR **Dorothy Sander**

SUNDAY

9:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. SAVIOUR
Amy Jacobs Reynolds, 1st Anniv.
11:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. JOHN **Region 11**



WELCOME TO OUR NEW PASTOR
Fr. Michael Cordier

Fr. Cordier begins July 1st. Fr. Cordier was ordained in 2002. He was parochial vicar at Guardian Angel after his ordination. He was pastor of the region of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Andrew in the Milford - Miami Township area and is currently pastor of the region of St. Raphael, St. Joseph and St. Charles Borromeo in the Springfield, Ohio, area.

He graduated from Moeller High School in 1975 and Xavier University in 1979. He worked in business as a computer programmer for 17 years before entering the seminary. He looks forward to meeting all of you. In this time of transition, please pray for him and he will pray for you.

DAILY MASS PROPER

Monday, June 7

Entrance: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Communion: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Tuesday, June 8

Entrance: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial: Lord, let your face shine on me.

Communion: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Thursday, June 10

Entrance: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial: The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.

Communion: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Friday, June 11—Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Entrance: The designs of his Heart are from age to age, to rescue their souls from death, and to keep them alive in famine.

Responsorial: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Communion: Thus says the Lord: Let whoever is thirsty come to me and drink. Streams of living water will flow from within the one who believes in me.



Sunday, June 13, 2021

**A special time at MVP Sports Bar & Grille
to benefit St. John Parish**

Please see the flyer in this week's bulletin.

**MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY FOR
June 5 & 6, 2021**

Entrance Hymn: Gather Your People

Refrain: Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people,
O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather
your people, O Lord.

V1. Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters,
each of us called to in your light. (to refrain)

V2. We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each
other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides. (to refrain).

**Responsorial Psalm: The cup of salvation I will take,
and call the name of the Lord.**

Communion: Taste and See

Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see that the Lord is
good, the Lord is good.

V1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on
my lips. The Lord shall be the glory of my soul; the hum-
ble shall hear and be glad. (to refrain)

V2. Glorify the Lord with me, together let us praise his
name. I sought the Lord: he answered me; he set me free
from all my fear. (to refrain)

V3. Look upon the Lord and be radiant; hide not your
face from the Lord. He heard the cry of the poor; he res-
cued them from all their woes. (to refrain)

V4. The angel of the Lord is with his people to rescue
those who trust in him. Taste and see the goodness of the
Lord; seek refuge in him and be glad. (to refrain)

V5. Saints of the Lord, revere him; those who fear him
lack nothing. Lions suffer want and go hungry, but those
who seek him lack no blessing. (to refrain)

V6. Children of the Lord come and hear, and learn the
fear of the Lord. Who is he who longs for life, whose only
love is for his wealth?

Closing: Church of God, Elect and Glorious

V1. Church of God, elect and glorious, holy nation chosen
race; called as God's own special people, royal priests and
heirs of grace: know the purpose of your calling, show to
all God's mighty deeds; tell of love which knows no limits,
grace which meets all human needs.

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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

Almighty Father,
You have created us for some definite purpose.
Grant us the grace to know the path
You have planned for us in this life
and to respond with a generous "Yes."

Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and
hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations.
May our young people respond to Your call
with courage and zeal.

Stir among our men a desire and the strength
to be good and holy priests.
Bless us with consecrated religious and those
called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons,
and faithful husbands and wives,
who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church.

We commend our prayer for vocations to You,
Father, through the intercession of Mary our
Mother, in the Holy Spirit,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

All bow
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

We thank everyone who has participated in the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our generous gifts let us impact the stories of thousands through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese.

Thanks to your generosity, \$30,645.00 has been pledged, which is **146%** of our goal of \$20,945!!!

Additionally, 50% of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will go to purchase liturgical items such as chalices, candles, etc. for our parish.

Again, **THANK YOU!!**

For more information or to donate online, please visit www.AOCstewardship.org.



RE-LANDSCAPING

We have plans to re-landscape the Myrtle Avenue side of the Church, rectory, school and Regional Office building. To save money, part of the plan is to remove the bushes ourselves. If you are interested in helping pull out the bushes, or have any questions, please call Dave Buckner, the Regional Maintenance Supervisor at 513.791.9004. If he is away from the office, please leave a message and he will get back with you.

If you have a 4 X 4 truck, chain, or a backhoe available for use, that will be helpful. Please speak with Dave. We are grateful!!!





DO YOU REMEMBER HOW IT FELT TO BE TOGETHER??

We are looking forward to
seeing you IN church!

With the obligation for attending Mass
returning on June 6, 2021,
we'd like to share some helpful information
about attending Mass in person.

Please see the last page of this week's bulletin
for more information.

If you have any questions, please call the
Regional Office at 791-9004 or email
Bishop Joe at

bishopjoe@blrchurch



Focus on Mary for 33 days

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati is celebrating its bicentennial
with a 300-mile "parade" for Mary.

It's the longest Marian pilgrimage in the United States. The ob-
servance began on May 9 at the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in
Russells Point, Ohio.

Pilgrims continue to escort a statue of Our Lady of Fatima
throughout the diocese. The route threads back and forth
through concerts, celebrations and three dozen parishes.

Events this week include Holy Hour & Rosary at St. Maximilian
in Liberty Twp on June 6 at 7 pm; Children's Rosary & Marian
concert at St. Margaret of York, on June 7 at 6 pm; Outdoor
Stations of the Cross at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, on
June 8 at 5:30 pm; Holy Hour at Holy Trinity in Batavia on June
9 at 7 pm; Rosary, Confession & Mass at St. Bernadette in
Amelia on June 10 at 2 pm; Holy Hour at Mt. St. Mary Seminary
on June 11 at 7 pm; Mass and Concert at St. Gertrude on
June 12 at 4:30 pm; and Rosary and outdoor celebration at St.
Cecilia on June 13 at 4 pm.

The capstone will be a reconsecration of the archdiocese at the
Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains on June 19. A family
concert will follow on Fountain Square beginning at noon.

Catholics are invited to participate individually, doing everything
from praying the 33 Days of Morning Glory booklet to walking
as a Statue Guardian pilgrim. Booklets are available in the
back of church.

For a map and more information, go to www.mary2021.org or
200.catholicaoc.org/events.

There's also a Marian Pilgrimage Facebook page.

ANNIVERSARY OF PARISHIONERS' DEATHS

The Bereavement Committee is listing the anniversary
of a Parishioner whose funeral was held at St. Saviour in
the last five years. We see this as a way to continue to
support the family. You may want to send them a card or
call them to let them know you are thinking of them.

Raymond J. Eigel—June 6, 2019
Herbert H. Feiertag—June 11, 2016
Dr. Jose Abirached—June 11, 2020



VIGIL LIGHTS LIT THIS WEEK

Intention	Donor
In memory of Laura Conroy	Mom & Dad
In Memory of Oliver L. Harris, Jr.	Wendy Carter Harris
My Daughter Theresa	Mom
My BFF Jan & Ed	Cookie
My daughter Isla	Mama
Bob, fight that cancer	Your Family
Son	Mom
Niece	Aunt
Family love & understanding	A family member
For my Mom	Son
Jason	Loving Family
All family members to reconcile	JME
Family Peace	Parishioner
Prayers for Judy	Jim
Good Health for Marc	Your Friends
Good recovery for Fred	Barb
Son & Family	Mom & Dad
My sister Judy	Cookie
Baby Hengehold	Moorman Family
Special Intention	N.J.
Thomas Burns, Sr.	
May 15, Anniversary	Margie Burns
Continued Prayers for	
Father Tim	The Theurings

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Please pray for all who have died, and those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Readings for the week of June 6, 2021

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/
Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt
5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132,
133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt
5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-
12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph
3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
[8a]/Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf.
2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

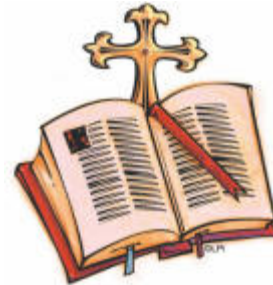
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SEPT 10, 11, & 12**

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

to the following people who this week
are celebrating their anniversary:

Please remember in your prayers those
who have lost their spouse.

Tim & Jill Moorman - June 6, 1987
Doug & Sharon White - June 6, 1998
Nick & Stacy Schierloh—June 7, 2008
Gary & Linda Strezeski—June 7, 2008
Enrico & Norma Ruocchio - June 9, 1972
Tony & Karen Andrews - June 10, 1977
Don (D) & Meta Mueller—June 11, 1949
Jim & Sarah Kelly - June 11, 1977
Bo (D) & Cathy Quarry—June 11, 1999
Jamie & Annie Davis—June 11, 2016

Would you like to see your anniversary listed here?
Please just email lindas@stsaviourparish.org or
call Linda at the Parish Office 791-9004

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Dianne Buckner, Fr. Matt, Pat Schmaltz, Gayle Niemann,
Jim Angel, Sheila Wenning, Jim Hull, Chuck Gates, Roni
Whitacre, Isla Wilp, Jack Long, Jan Long, Fr. Ray Keller-
man, Tom Valerius, Loretta Metzger, Candace Joerger,
Wilma Appelman, Charlotte Wimmers, Ben Freeman,
Charlotte Rice, Jeanie Cain, Julie Bosse, Amber Barrett,
Rosemary Foster, Helen Scott, Roger Kob, Sister Mary
Kay, Katie Lawhorn, Jeanne Biondo, Fr. Tim,
Marian Osterman, Clare Willenbrink,
Ruth Niehaus, Judy Kuethe, Ann Belew, Don Belew,
Scott Braun, Mary Sue Loftus,
Madison Seyfried, and Charlie Vonderhaar

**BEACONS OF LIGHT**

Archbishop Schnurr has announced the next phase of pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, called "Beacons of Light." The process is designed to foster vital parish life throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, leading all to radiate Christ in our homes, places of work, schools, parishes, and the wider world. For more information about "Beacons of Light," please visit <https://catholicaoc.org/beacons>. We will continue to update you. Please pray that we will be open to the Holy Spirit at this important time. Thank you. God bless you!!

Please join in praying the following prayer written for the "Beacons of Light" process:

Let us pray,

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that your Church may always remain that holy people,
formed as one by the unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
which manifest to the world
the Sacrament of your holiness and unity
and leads it to the perfection of your charity.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, forever and ever.
Amen.



The Finance Commission has set our weekly budget
amount for 2020-2021 at \$7,000.00

Week of 05/17/2021—05/23/2021

Envelopes and loose	\$10,488.00
EFT	\$1,195.00
Total	\$11,683.00

Thank you for your generosity!



**To prepare us for next week
(Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

The readings are:
Ezekiel 17:22-24
2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

Catechism Guide

1st Reading—Teaching about creation
(+279-289)

2nd Reading—Faith the beginning of eternal life.
Language of faith. Only one faith.
(+163-175)

Gospel—Church and the kingdom of God.
(+788-795)

MISSION PRIEST

Fr. Sherit Thomas of the Missionary Society of St. Thomas the Apostle (MST) will join us for the Masses on June 19 and June 20 to speak with us about the missionary efforts of MST. Most of the MST missionaries preach the gospel in Northern part of India where the population is predominately Hindu and Muslim. The members of MST undertake various humanitarian and charitable activities and ministries to share the love of Christ. Working among the poor, working with people with HIV-AIDS, running training and rehabilitation centers for the mentally and physically disabled, caring for the aged and the destitute boys and girls, running non-formal and formal centers of literacy, empowering the poor women with various self-financing programs, and educating the street children and rag pickers are some of their apostolates.

MST has only a few income-generating programs and depends on God and the contributions and support from the Christian countries. Any amount that you contribute will ease the pain of the suffering, brighten the lives those live in darkness and give hope to the less fortunate. For more information, please visit www.mstworld.org. Thank you for your generosity.



Parishioner Darrell Williams, is an Art Teacher at Badin HS. He is looking for gently used photo equipment for our photography students to use to build the photography program at Badin.

As spring cleaning begins and you find unwanted film cameras, darkroom equipment and other photo tools in your closets, attic, or basement, please consider donating those items to the Badin Photography program. These items would be for a new class called Photography II, where students will dive deeper into the process of photography. Anything big or small would be a great help. Contact Badin Art Teacher Darrell Williams with questions - dwilliams@BadinHS.org

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

We are better with you than we are without you, and so are you. Any school ... All Saints, St. Vincent Ferrer, and any other parish, and your friends! 7th & 8th grade for Junior High Youth Group; 9th -12th grade for High School Youth Group and Highschoolers of the Well (HOW).

Please visit us at www.allsaints.cc Parish Life\Youth Ministry

Today we celebrate the feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Our Gospel (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26) is the account of The Last Supper. There, Jesus gave us the Eucharist when He took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them (and us) and said, "Take it, this is My body." And with the cup "This is My blood ... ". With those words and actions, our world changed forever. May we always receive Jesus in the Eucharist as if it was our first time, or as if it was our last time. Amen!

Junior High Youth Group

We celebrated Pentecost with 50 Junior High kids, from 7 schools (All Saints, Sycamore, Indian Hill, Saint Vincent Ferrer, Mason, Madeira, and Mariemont), who attended our last Junior High Youth Group gathering of the school year. The water balloon toss, the cicada-less pizza and treats, were wonderful ... but the 30 minute visit in Church was even better. Katie Metzger lead us all in prayers for the going-forth 8th graders, the soon-to-be 8th graders, and the incoming 7th graders. Jesus surely had a big smile on His face as He watched these young folks! So did they. So did we! We gotta do that more!

We'll keep you posted on our next gathering ... later on this summer. Keep the faith.

HOW

On a recent Monday evening, we held "HOW handprint night". For the past 14 years, high school seniors have, on about the last HOW gathering of the year, placed their white-paint handprint on the Youth Room wall. We have lots of handprints! Each has a story which we fondly recall, and we will long remember. We are blessed by those who joined us. This year's group of seniors was outstanding in many ways. They lead the Celebrate Life Event, they worked through the social distance, mask, and temp-check to gather during cold weather in the Church's North Wing instead of in the Youth Room, they lifted up each other, welcomed all comers, and made long, steady, faith-filled strides forward. May God bless this Senior Class of Highschoolers of the Well. May God bless all who have left their mark and their handprint this year and in years past. May God continue to bless them as they strive forward with their Faith. Thank you Seniors. We will miss you!

Last week, one of the HOW seniors, Emma Campbell, was awarded The Saint Julie Billiard Christian Leadership Award at Mount Notre Dame High School. The school bestows no higher honor. Congratulations Emma! Thank you for all you did, for all you do, and for all you will do. We are so pleased that we were able to spend Monday evenings with you for the last four years! Bravo Emma!

Youth Group



QUESTION AND ANSWER

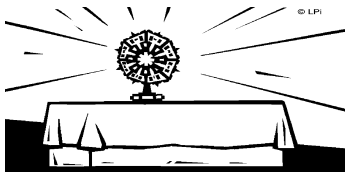


What are the origins for the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, often referred to as Corpus Christi Sunday?

By the year 1000, the active participation of the laity at Mass was minimal. Most of the people did not receive Communion for a variety of reasons, especially the notion of unworthiness. A form of Eucharistic spirituality that attempted to involve them developed, known as "ocular communion." It put forth the notion that Eucharistic graces were received by merely looking at the host. Instead of physically partaking, one fervently looked at and adored the host.

Elevating the bread and wine at consecration dates to this period. The practice of viewing the host outside of Mass developed into a devotion called Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, where the exposed host could be viewed and adored for a more extended period of time. The request for even more time to view the host led to a devotion known as Forty Hours, the exposition of the host for forty hours straight. By 1250, we have the development of Corpus Christi, a procession through the streets with the exposed host in a holder called a monstrance, enabling all to view and adore the Blessed Sacrament.

With the return to the full, conscious, and active participation at Mass by all, these devotions, while appropriate for their day and time, have lost some of their significance. They are still valid devotions, but only in relationship to the source and summit of our faith, the Eucharistic celebration by the whole assembly.



PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY -- --KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

For those in the military, if you would like to receive e-mails from parishioners, please share your e-mail address with us at lindas@blr.church

1st LT JACOB BARNHORST	CHRIS BELAIR
SrA LOCHER, RAY E	MORGAN MATTSTEDT
EDWARD SAURBER	ANTHONY TAYLOR
SGT. TROY THOMAS	JOHN VIDOUREK
BRENNAN & JACOB WOOD	KEITH DAMRON



Vacation Bible Camp Committee

COVID-19 sure put a damper on Vacation Bible Camp!! We had to cancel for the summer of 2020. Due to the uncertainty of what would happen for 2021, we have decided to plan for Vacation Bible Camp to return in the summer of 2022.

Those who have helped in the past know how much planning it takes to organize a program like this. However, the work planning this event is nothing compared to the joy and happiness it brings to all those who help and all who participate!!

In order for VBC to take place and be successful, it takes a lot of wonderful and responsible adults and teens. If you are interested in helping with the planning, or volunteering to help during the event, please contact Jenny Edmonds at jennye@blr.church or call the regional office at 791-9004.

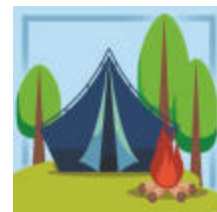
Working together, we can radiate the light of our Catholic faith with our youth as they enjoy stories, laughter, games and activities!!!

May God Bless you! Thank you!

CAMPING ANYONE?

A few of us are trying to organize a parish campout. We would like to invite anyone who is interested in camping to come and join us. The weekend will be July 16-17-18 at East Fork Lake State Park in Ohio. We will be in loop D. If interested please make your reservations by going online at East Fork Lake State Park campground.

Hopefully, we will have a good turn out. Depending on numbers attending, activities will be planned. Any questions or suggestions, please contact Dottie or Mike Hathorn at (h) 513-984-1516, (c) 513-703-4790 or (c) 513-300-4150 or Tom Camp at (c) 513-615-3197 or email THC8902@aol.com



NEW GUIDELINES FOR MASS

Good day everyone!! On May 13, 2021, the Diocesan Bishops of Ohio decided that the general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the Saturday/Vigil Mass) is to be reinstated. This will take effect in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati the weekend of June 5-6, 2021. As has always been the case, those who have a serious reason are exempt from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. This includes those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immuno-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons. Nevertheless, these persons should observe the Lord's Day and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's passion, death and resurrection; an appropriate way to do this is through viewing a broadcast of the Sunday Mass. Masses that are broadcast through various media are not intended as a substitute nor do they fulfill the obligation for the persons who are able to gather for a Sunday celebration and other Holy Days of Obligation. Instead, they are intended for the sick, home-bound, the imprisoned, etc., who are unable to attend Mass in person.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days is not something God asks of us out of his own necessity to be worshipped, but rather a gift to us for our spiritual well-being, eternal salvation and formation in our relationship with God and one another. To that end, Saint John Vianney rightly asserts, "There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us." The Eucharist is the greatest gift Christ left to the Church—the gift of Himself. There is no substitute for Mass celebrated in person.

Until the statewide mask mandate changes effective June 2, 2021, it is expected that masks are worn at all times in church. Priests, deacons, readers, and cantors may (if socially distant from others) remove their mask while speaking or singing, but masks must be worn while in procession throughout the church and especially during the distribution of Holy Communion. Please continue to leave your mask in place when you are in line to receive Communion and please do not remove it until you step to the side and then you may lower your mask to take Communion and then please immediately put your mask back in place.

Some of the ribbons marking off pews have been removed. Guidance from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati allows this. We realize that some parishioners may prefer to be socially distanced so some of the pews remain marked off with ribbons.

For more information, please see <https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/divine-worship-and-sacraments/worship-resources/worshiptogethersafelycovid19> and <https://www.ohiocathconf.org/Portals/1/Bishop%20Statements/Lifting-Dispensation-letter-5-13-19.pdf>.

As we reflect on our Lord's goodness and mercy in the midst of the sacrifices made during the coronavirus pandemic, we ask Saint Joseph to intercede for us, that through his fatherly protection and care, we may experience a renewal of faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Please feel free to call the Regional Office at 513.791.9004 or email Bishop Joe at bishop-joe@blr.church if you have any questions. Please join us as we continue to pray for an end to the coronavirus, for those who have suffered in any way from the effects of the virus, and for first responders.

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