We, the saints and sinners of St. Barbara Parish, are a Roman Catholic Community. Through joyful Eucharistic worship and loving community, we strive through Jesus and the Holy Spirit to build the Kingdom of God on Earth as we prepare for the Kingdom of Heaven. We seek to serve others individually as a parish according to God’s plan for us; we are the Body of Christ.

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| Pastor            | Rev John Sterling | ext 13 jsterling@stbarbaraky.org |
| Deacons           | Bernard Kaiser | ext 14 |
|                   | Chuck Melville | |
| Administrative Assistant | Lauren Servisky | ext 11 |
|                   | Patti Taylor | ext 10 |
| Business Consultant | Tony Depenbrock | ext 15 |
| Coordinator of Religious Education | Jackie Koop | ext 12 |
| Development Director | John Mikula | ext 30 |
| Event Center Director | Therese Cloar | ext 29 |
| Youth Minister     | John Kidwell | ext 16 |
**Parish Calendar**

**May 12-19**

**SUNDAY, MAY 12**
- 10:00 am BIBLE STUDY AT P/C
- 12:15 pm INFANT BAPTISMS

**MONDAY, MAY 13**
- 7:30 am T.G.I.FRIDAY’S FUNDRAISER

**MONDAY, MAY 13**
- 7:30 am ST. HENRY AP TESTING
- 7:00 pm WALK WITH A PURPOSE MTG.

**TUESDAY, MAY 14**
- 7:30 am ST. HENRY AP TESTING
- 6:30 pm SEA SCOUTS
- 7:00 pm AA
- 7:00 pm HECK BIBLE STUDY
- 7:00 pm STEWARDSHIP/DEVELOPMENT

**TUESDAY, MAY 15**
- 7:30 am ST. HENRY AP TESTING

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**
- 7:00 pm YOUTH GROUP

**THURSDAY, MAY 16**
- 7:00 pm WORSHIP/BOARD OF EDUCATION

**FRIDAY, MAY 17**
- 7:30 am ST. HENRY AP TESTING
- 6:00 pm EGBERS/CAPPEL REHEARSAL
- 7:00 pm EGBERS HALL RENTAL

**SATURDAY, MAY 18**
- 6:30 pm EGBERS/CAPPEL WEDDING
- 7:30 pm CAPPEL HALL RENTAL

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**
- CROSS THE BRIDGE FOR LIFE SIGN-UPS
- 10:00 am BIBLE STUDY AT P/C
- 12:15 pm INFANT BAPTISMS

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**Mass Intentions**

**May 13-19**

**MONDAY, MAY 13**
- Acts 11:1-18; Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10;
- 4:30 pm EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

**TUESDAY, MAY 14**
- Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17;
- 11:00 am DONALD SCHNEIDER

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**
- Acts 12:24-13:5a; Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8; Jn 12:44-50;
- 10:00 am TERRY FRALEY

**THURSDAY, MAY 16**
- 10:00 am EDWARD BRINK

**FRIDAY, MAY 17**
- Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11b; Jn 14:1-6;
- 10:00 am KRISTA BERLING

**SATURDAY, MAY 18**
- Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14;
- 4:30 pm ROSE ANN FOLTZ

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**
- Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a;
- Jn 13:31-33a,34-35;
- 9:00 am OUR PARISHIONERS
- 11:00 am ELVERA AMANN

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**Prayers needed for those who are sick or homebound:**

- Ruby Driscoll
- John Taylor Speakes
- Dakota Biery
- Vera Amann
- Nancy Reckers
- Millie Zimmerman
- Vincent Albers
- Dominic Porco
- Janice Maratta
- Tommy Hahn
- John Kues
- Sue Langguth
- Marty Morgan
- Floyd Krebs

Because of the new HIPAA laws we are unable to call the hospitals to find out if we have parishioners there, so if there is a parishioner at the hospital please call the office so that we are able to see to their spiritual needs.

If you know others who are sick or homebound, please call Cherri Griffin 653-5360 or the office at 371-3100
Liturgical Ministries
May 18 & 19

HOSPITALITY
4:30 p.m.  John & Kathleen Boyle
9:00 a.m.  Jason & Denise Fulmer
11:00 a.m.  Sarah Rust-Crider & Robert Tranter

LECTORS
4:30 p.m.  Bill Fotsch & Beth Penn
9:00 a.m.  Josh Roberts & Mimi Trenkamp
11:00 a.m.  Edward Butler & Linda Kaiser

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4:30 p.m.  Thomas Barnett, Alesia Bolte, Thomas Kirst, Linda Schilling, Fredi Spears, Susan Vogelpohl, Kathy Vogt, Donita Wade, Diane Wendeln & 1 Volunteer
9:00 a.m.  Teresa Graner, David Jansing, Jackie Koop, Jennifer O’Gorman, Barbara Schaefer, Greg Schmitz, Kathy Stephens, Barb Taylor, Jeff Work & 1 Volunteer
11:00 a.m.  Betty Jane DeVita, Dawn DiVita, Mary Gregory, Bob Kirkwoof, Barb Kopp, Kim Mason, Terry Mason, Fred Sloan and 2 Volunteers

SERVERS
4:30 p.m.  Cole Bunch & Tom Rettig
9:00 a.m.  Alexandra Lageman & Jared Stephens
11:00 a.m.  Cassie DiVita, Nate Hammond & Wade Hammond

USHERS
4:30 p.m.  John Graves & Steve Sorrell
9:00 a.m.  Chas Ryan & John Vehige
11:00 a.m.  Larry Boemker, Don Randall, Curt White & Larry Wolff

VOCATION CRUCIFIX
4:30 p.m.  William Curry Family
9:00 a.m.  Chad Crouch Family
11:00 a.m.  Robert Gravett Family

ROSARY LEADERS
4:30 p.m.  Tracey Kidwell
9:00 a.m.  Tina Bowen
11:00 a.m.  Pat Webster

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER WOODCREST
Antoinette Hummeldorf

Stewardship Reflection
How much you have has nothing to do with generosity to God. If you don’t give of your time, talent and treasure with what you have, you most likely won’t do it if you have more.

Ministry Updates

May 5, 2018

227 Envelopes ............................................. $9,686.00
Plate .................................................................. $497.00
Total ..................................................................... $10,183.00

Amounted Collected since 7/1/18 ............ $500,426.34
Building Fund .............................................. $1,167.00
Religious Ed ................................................. $339.00
Confirmation ................................................. $226.00
Holy Thursday ................................................ $10.00
Good Friday .................................................... $10.00
Easter .............................................................. $25.00

April, 2019 Electronic Giving

Sunday Collection ........................................... $14,527.00
Pledge Drive .................................................. $650.00
Building Fund .............................................. $2,515.00
Religious Ed .................................................. $585.00
Youth Group ................................................... $245.00
St. Vincent de Paul ......................................... $850.00
Festival ........................................................... $25.00

MINISTERS SCHEDULE. We are currently working on the Minister’s Schedule for the third quarter (July, August & September). If you have a scheduling problem for this time period, or if you no longer wish to be active in your ministry, please contact the coordinator for that ministry by June 10th.

Hospitality  Beth Penn  331-8131
Lectors  Pauline Baumann  341-8641
Eucharistic Ministers  Connie Spenlau  801-3332
Servers  John Kidwell  750-3380
Vocation Crucifix  Debbie Wood  466-5667
Rosary Ministry  Joyce Levo  647-1503

MOTHER’S DAY PRAYER
Mary, mother of Jesus, woman of Providence, you formed your child’s faith and led him to his destiny. Living your life in a real world, as a real woman, you became a model for all women. This special day, as in all the days of my life, I ask blessings for my mother and for all women in my life whose own faith and care have been a life-long gift to me.
May 12, 2019
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme: Perseverance in Trials

We are told that day by day life can be a joyous experience. The Commercials on television assure you that it will be if you buy what they try to sell you. This is also the message of not a few psychologists who assert that the learning process in school, home, life, job and religion/faith should all be one joyous experience! This is fine in theory buy what happens if circumstances prevent our lives from being joyous all the time?

What if gradually a school becomes an anti-intellectual fun house? In this respect, teachers who do not dare to challenge their students are not their friends. As for the home, here too there are unpleasant chores to be done. And there are parents who spoil their children-doing them a great disservice for their later life. Even if we love our work, there is no job which does not entail unpleasant aspects as well. As far as religion is concerned, worship services should be a mutual inspiration, and a Christian life of mutual love is a splendid thing; however, we cannot have the good warm feeling all the time, neither is the church a theater where we go to enjoy “an exciting show!” Loyalty requires sacrifice.

Today’s Liturgy deals precisely with those times when life seems to be something but a joyous experience, when Christians have to undergo disappointment, rejection, trials; and it sets forth the reserves which they can call upon to help them preserve. Can everything we mentioned about continue to be a joyous experience in such circumstances? To a certain extent, you know if we have learned the joy of sharing and of service, based on a firm faith in Someone who cares. Paul and Barnabas make the first reading are encouraging examples for us.

Faith with the many programs offered! Go to www.stbarbaraky.formed.org and fill out the registration or download the FREE FORMED APP and fill out the registration using www.stbarbaraky.formed.org. Any questions e-mail Debbie Wood at (wigby@me.com) USING FORMED FOR THIS WEEK IN THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR...May 13: Our Lady of Fatima: Study: Fatima: Hope for the World. Watch: The 13th Day. Watch: Fatima: A Message of Hope, Listen: Fatima: Living the Message.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS. Pastoral council is an advisory body working in consultation with the pastor. Nominees must be registered parish members, 18 years old or older, who desire to use their gifts to serve the Parish. The Council seeks 3 adult members; each member serves a 3-year term. Parishioners are encouraged to nominate them self or other parishioners who desire to lead and serve our parish community. Nominees will be contacted to ascertain their willingness to become a candidate for discernment. You can put your name or another candidate in the Council box located in the Welcome Center. Nominations will be taken until May 20th. Questions? Please contact David Jansing 743-1280.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION. Jesus can bring new life to you and to those around you. If you are someone you know needs the light and life of Christ, we can help! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which the Catholic Church invites people of any background to inquire about Jesus Christ and the Church He established through His Apostles to continue His saving work and bring His love and grace to the whole world. In the RCIA each individual embarks on a personal journey of faith through which he or she can prayerfully decide whether to become a member of the Catholic Church. Weekly faith formation sessions provide teachings on God, faith and the Catholic Church. Participants in RCIA also attend Sunday Mass weekly and gather to discuss the Scripture readings and explore how the Word of God can be applied to their own lives. To learn more about the RCIA for yourself or for someone you know. Contact Deacon Melville at cmelville@stbarbaraky.org or call 371-3100.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR. On Wednesday May 22nd at 7 pm we will host an Information Night for anyone interested in finding out about the Catholic Faith the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) process. The event will be held in the Sterling Event Center. If you, a family member or friend have ever thought about joining our Faith Community, here is an opportunity to meet with members of our RCIA team and parish to have your questions answered.

YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP. Once again the Youth of our parish will be going on a mission trip to Tampa Florida working at St. Mary Help Camp for inner-city kids. Our Youth group is looking for sponsors to help with the expenses associated with this trip. The cost per person is $200.00. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Please see John Kidwell for additional information.

CARENET BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF. St. Barbara’s will conduct a Baby Bottle Campaign beginning today Mother’s Day May 12th to benefit Care Net pregnancy services. This is an easy way to support your local pregnancy help center by simply collecting your loose change, saving it in the baby bottle and returning the bottle to church at the end of the campaign (Father’s day, June 16thh). Please consider participating in this fundraising effort. You will help Care Net to not only save the lives of the unborn but also to change the lives of the men and women who come seeking support.

Calling All Expectant Mothers! Are you, or someone you know, between 6 and 13 weeks pregnant? Care Net Pregnancy Services is looking for expectant mothers to help train their ultrasound technicians. The New Medical Staff at Care Net is looking for “Moms to Be” who would like to volunteer for a completely free ultrasound! During this ultrasound, Care Net’s Medical Staff will get scanning practice under the supervision of a Nurse, and you get some cute pictures! Each participant will receive a $20 gas gift card and both hard & electronic photos of their baby. Please Contact Loretta at Care Net (859) 781-9878 or loretta@carenenky.org to schedule an appointment to be an ultrasound model. These ultrasounds are for practice only! No diagnostic information will be deemed from the scan.

COMING BACK TO GOD, WHO IS LOVE AND MERCY. Life is a gift from God, and so is His mercy. Tens of millions of Americans have been directly touched by abortion and have feelings of regret, guilt and grief. God’s healing love and mercy are always possible. Many Catholics want to help women and men who have experienced abortion, but some don’t know how to begin. The Diocese of Covington, in accordance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishop’s, offer the Project Rachel Ministry, a confidential, compassionate journey to healing. Project Rachel help line
Celebrating Sacraments
By Jackie Koop

First Communion 2019

Congratulations to our 2019 St. Barbara First Communicants and Confirmandi. First Communion was celebrated by 31 children on April 28. At Confirmation on May 2, 24 of our young parishioners were fully initiated into the Catholic Faith and anointed by Bishop Roger J. Foys. Thanks to everyone who ministered and participated in both sacramental celebrations.

Confirmation 2019

What’s Inside
♦ We Are Called by Deacon Chuck
♦ Learn about the Holy Dames
♦ Meet Jake Vogt
♦ Walking with Purpose Comes to St. Barbara
♦ News from the Crusaders
♦ Our Parish Family Updates

DPAA and You

Whenever you share your gifts to help others, it is a sign of your love for your Father and your gratefulness for His many blessings.

Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal (DPAA) ministries bring the love and hope of Christ to thousands of your sisters and brothers.

As of May 1, 82% of St. Barbara’s mandatory goal of $118,000 has been pledged by 17% of our parish families. We encourage all parishioners to support the 2019 DPAA with a pledge or donation of any size. If you’ve already made your pledge, THANK YOU! If you have not made your pledge to the DPAA, please do so in the next few weeks. It will make a difference in the lives of so many...including your own.

SAVE THE DATE
See future bulletins for more details.

Evangelization Weekend..........................May 18 & 19
RCIA Information Session .........................May 22
Cross the Bridge for Life............................June 2
Vacation Bible School.............................June 24 - 28
Youth Mission Trip to Tampa......................June 8 - 15
Parish Picnic...........................................July 27
We Are Called

As I write this article, I am celebrating the ninth anniversary of my ordination. It was in April of 2010 that I was ordained into the Permanent Diaconate and assigned to St. Barbara Parish.

Little did I know where that journey would take me.

As Permanent Deacons, we are called to be Ministers of the Word and Ministers of Service. I don’t think I had a clear idea of what that meant or where it would take me as I began this ministry.

One of my first meetings with Father Sterling was to determine how I would help here at St. Barbara. There were the usual duties of assisting at Mass, administering baptisms, officiating at weddings and visiting the sick, but the one thing that Father John was looking for at that time, was someone to take over the RCIA program. RCIA, or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process, or better, a journey of discovery for those who are interested in the Catholic Faith. In 2010, the couple who had led the RCIA process here wanted to step away from the commitment and there I was. Over the years, we as a church family have welcomed many new members into the Faith at the Easter Vigil celebration.

welcome four more into our faith family. Amy Cappel, Kevin and Tracy Cruse, and Don Prysi have been welcomed into the Faith this year, but the work goes on.

We are all called upon, as followers of Christ, to go out into the world and share the good news of Jesus crucified and rising from the dead. We are called, by Christ, “to go out and make disciples of all nations.” The first step we can take is to invite those around us, friends, family, neighbors, coworkers, to become part of our faith community. We need to invite them to join us at Mass and our parish celebrations. Many times we don’t know when to start or what to tell someone who is interested in finding out more of becoming a Catholic.

We can start by bringing an interested friend or family member to any of the Masses on Evangelization Weekend on May 18 & 19 and to come to a welcome night information session on May 22 at 7 pm in the Sterling Event Center.

Our Catholic Faith is rich in its traditions and depth of knowledge of the love Christ has for each of us. We are called to share that love with those around us.

May the Lord bless and keep you.
Deacon Chuck

Walking With Purpose Comes to St. Barbara
By Linda Schilling

This fall, Walking With Purpose will be coming to St. Barbara’s Parish on Mondays from 6:30–8 pm. It is a Women’s Bible Study and will take you on a walk with our Lord, a spiritual walk.

Walking with Purpose would like to help you enjoy a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ, nurtured through personal Bible study and small group discussions created just for women.

This parish-based Bible study program for adult women is run by local lay women volunteers, approved by parish leadership, and supported by the Walking with Purpose national staff. We welcome all women irrespective of faith background, age, or marital status. The program incorporates at-home Scripture study, weekly small group discussion, and monthly talks on relevant study material.

This program is led by a volunteer leadership team whose members have received online training and ongoing mentoring through an acclaimed leadership development program. The Walking with Purpose leadership development program gives leaders the tools needed to effectively evangelize women in the parish community.

If you would like to learn more about this program, feel free to visit the Walking With Purpose Website at www.walkingwithpurpose.com, or contact Linda Schilling at 859-653-9538 or linda41017@yahoo.com.

Our Parish Family

Newly Married
Mr. & Mrs. David Adams—March 9, 2019

In Memoriam
St. Henry Catholic School: God Lights Our Way
By Julie Nelson

With the start of the last trimester, students have the opportunity to nominate themselves on how ‘God Lights Our Way’ (GLOW) through their daily actions. Many of our 8th graders received ‘Shout Outs’ which included two 8th graders helping a kindergartener who dropped a lunch and two others assisted with LEGO Club cleanup even though they didn’t attend the club. We have an amazing group of 8th graders who GLOW and continue to GLOW in so many ways including the emotional support they share amongst their own peers. We are also very proud of our 8th grader who was selected as one of the top 20 finalists out of more than 250 essay submissions in the Diocese Pro-Life Office and Department of Catholic Schools Essay Contest.

Congratulations to the 40 students of the St. Henry Catholic School

Class of 2019!
The 7th grade religion classes at SHCS sold more than $2,200 worth of beaded animals and other items in support of the Ed Colina Foundation.

Through the sale of the items, the money raised will provide critical early childhood education, healthcare for developmentally disabled children, and emergency relief food for the elderly and those affected by HIV/AIDS in Kenya.

Thanks to all of the parish families who supported St. Henry Elementary’s biggest fundraiser, The Crusader Royale, held at the Sterling Event Center in February.

If you would like to learn more about our school or to set up a personal tour, give us a call at 859-342-2551 or visit our website sthenryschool.net. We are still accepting registrations for preschool through 8th grade. As a St. Barbara parishioner, you are eligible for the “participating tuition” rate.

St. Henry District High School: Strong Finish
By Sarah Banks

As we come to a close for the academic year, our students have finished strong in a multitude of areas. The Future Problem Solving Team finished second in the state and will head to the International competition in Massachusetts this summer. At the KHSAA eSports inaugural state championship, our new eSports team finished in second place. Our boys’ basketball team won their first 34th District Tournament Championship. The boys’ bowling team qualified for the State bowling tournament. The AquaCru qualified seven swimmers to the State meet. The archery team won the Division II NKAC Championship for the second year in a row, competed at state, and qualified for their first ever trip to the NASP National Archery Tournament. Senior LadyCru basketball player Chisom Illoegbunam joined the 1,000 point and 1,000 rebound club this season.

Congratulations to the Crusader teams for a great year!

Throughout the year, St. Henry has given the students a multitude of opportunities to reflect on ways to give back to the community. Some of this reflection has been done on the school retreats or during flex time in the Chapel. The annual DanceCru event held at our school raised more than $2,100 for the Dragonfly Foundation, which raises awareness and funds for pediatric cancer research. This inspiring event was supported by many local businesses, friends, and families.

Several of our students also participated in the annual Night for the Fight where more than $250,000 was raised locally for pediatric cancer research. At the spring blood drive for Hoxworth Blood Center, 30 students participated as a way to give life to the community.

We recently received word that six of our juniors were accepted into this summer’s Kentucky Governor’s Scholars Program and one junior was accepted into the Governor’s School for the Arts.
Ministry Spotlight: Holy Dames
By Courtney Mueller

Parishioners at St. Barbara’s are always thankful for those who are giving of their “time, talent, and treasure for the future of our parish.” While we are thankful for all ministries, this phrase could not be truer than for the Holy Dames.

This diverse group of women are involved in so many events at St. Barbara’s and always lends their support in any way they can.

The Holy Dames became an official ministry at St. Barbara’s in 2009. Though the parish had a women’s fellowship group prior to the inception of the Holy Dames, those involved wanted the group to have more structure, and so started their monthly meetings.

Since the group officially began, they have been extremely active in a number of ministries at St. Barbara’s. Members engage with the women’s group, as well as the Crafty Ladies, the Altar Society, and the Hearts and Hands Ministry. Of course, they also play an vital role in many Holy Name events, such as taking care of concessions at Turkey Shoots and providing baked goods for Fish Fries during Lent and promoting other ministries within the parish – Cursillo and CHRP/Welcome to name a few.

In addition to this, the Holy Dames always donate to support the Youth Group’s mission trip and annual trip to the March for Life as well as providing support to Fr. Joe Thaler’s sewing mission in India, the women’s Jamaica mission trip and Dynamic Catholic.

The group is open to all women of the parish. For more information, or to get involved, contact one of the officers, or attend a monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of the month.

Youth Group: At the Fish Fries
By Courtney Mueller

The Youth Group is at it again! Though the Youth Group is always active in serving St. Barbara, they have been especially active lately. Each Wednesday of Lent, members of the Youth Group can be found in the Sterling Event Center setting up tables, and preparing the hall for Friday night fish fries. On Fridays, they finish their week by volunteering and cleaning tables at the fish fries. Thanks to the Youth Group for helping to make the fish fries so successful!

Inspiring Stewards Among Us
By Courtney Mueller

When talking to Jake Vogt, it is easy to see the passion he has for caring for others. Whether he is volunteering with the Youth Group or providing end-of-life care at work, Jake’s passion for helping others shines through.

Jake is probably best known to parishioners as the Assistant Youth Minister. Starting as a member of the Youth Group, himself, Jake says that he never thought twice about getting involved as an adult leader. He compares his experience working with the kids to playing with building blocks. Jake says, “I like helping people, and Youth Group is a great way to do that. We try to provide good experiences for the kids, and hope that the opportunities we provide help them to become the best versions of themselves.”

As Assistant Youth Minister, Jake decided to start praying the rosary with the Youth Group each week. While in high school, Jake began praying the rosary every morning, and has continued this tradition since graduating. In addition to this, he invites the Youth Group members to join him in praying the rosary every morning during their annual mission trip. When I asked what inspired him to start the weekly rosary during Youth Group meetings, Jake said that praying the rosary brings him peace and he “felt that if the kids could be exposed to it, they may pick up on it and try it for themselves when they are having a hard time.”

In addition to serving our parish in the role of Assistant Youth Minister, Jake works for Home Instead, providing end-of-life care. While he has grown attached to clients and had struggles in this job, Jakes credits his community at St. Barbara for giving him strength and supporting him. He says, he knows he can always turn to Father John, Deacon Chuck, John Kidwell, or any number of other friends at St. Barbara to help him.

Regardless of whether Jake is volunteering with the Youth Group, working on the mission trip in Jamaica, or providing end-of-life care to his clients at Home Instead, Jake is truly an inspiration to all at St. Barbara’s.

To learn about stewardship opportunities at our parish, please go to the Ministry tab on our parish website or app.

Who inspires you? Share the good news!
Suggestions for the Stewardship and Ministry features are welcomed and can be sent to crosstalk@stbarbaraky.org.
Homeschooling? Check out the Holy Family Coop! This year the Holy Family Coop would love for you to join us! We will be meeting two times a month on Tuesdays at St. Barb’s and then one field trip every month. The coop will offer classes for kindergarten through 9th grade. Field trips include: Frankfort, Cincinnati Museum Center, Dayton/Wright Pat, and more! Fees: $100 registration fee per family plus $25 per child tuition. Contact Gina Brown for more details 859-384-9219, gbstampin@yahoo.com

14th Annual Cross the Bridge for Life-Join us on Sunday, June 2 for a family friendly, peaceful walk across the Purple People Bridge! Festivities begin at 1:00pm, program begins at 2:00pm. There will be music, Easter Rising, FREE face painting, FREE t-shirts, food for purchase and displays from life affirming agencies from Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati area. The event is located in Newport, behind Newport on the Levee along the beautiful Ohio River. We hope to see you on June 2!

WALK FOR LIFE. We are so excited about our Walk for Life on Saturday, May 18. Not only are we celebrating our 30th year of strengthening families and saving lives, we are also seeing an awakening of like-minded people ready and willing to stand up for the sanctity of human life. We know there are so many like us who believe in the value of all human life, so let’s STAND TOGETHER and WALK TOGETHER to show our community, state and country where we stand. Together we can encourage others to stand up and protect the youngest, most innocent and vulnerable among us. https://secure.ministryryenc.com/ministryrync/events/?e=16276 Through FundEasy, you can easily let your family, friends and coworkers know that you support our life-saving ministry, and invite them to get on board, too! Even if you can’t physically walk with us on May 18, you can “walk with us” by supporting our ministry. This year, anyone who collects just $30 or more will get a FREE T-SHIRT! We’ll have free refreshments and a hotdog cookout after the Walk. Bring everyone you know and enjoy what’s sure to be a lovely spring morning to Walk for LIFE!

Mary’s Journey: An invitation to live simply, with an uncluttered, Loving and Trusting Heart. All are invited for a morning of reflection and prayer presented by Sr. Virginia Ann Wolfzorn, CDP. The presentation will be held at St. Anne Province Center on Saturday, May 18th, 2019 from 9:00am-11:30am. A continental breakfast will be served and free will offerings will be accepted. To register please email Anna Miller at anna60miller@gmail.com or call Carol at 859-441-6676. St. Anne Province Center is located at 5000 St. Anne Drive, Melbourne, KY 41069.


NKJP WORKSHOP ON CIVIL DIALOGUE: Practicing Civil Discourse in Our Polarized Society. Are you interested in finding ways to: Increase the possibility of respectful, open, honest conversation between persons holding different opinions, listen carefully and compassionately to persons whose position or possibly even core values differ from your own? If so, invite a partner you don’t always see eye to eye with and join us May 18, 2019, 9:00-Noon at St. Joseph Heights 1601 Dixie Highway Covington. Cost $10. For questions or to register email Sr. M.Rita Geoppinger at rgeoppinger@sndky.org your name and the name of your partner.

THE SERRA CLUB FOR VOCATIONS, NO. KY, is currently selling ticket vouchers to the Florence Freedom doubleheader on Wednesday, June 5, 2019. Honorary first pitchers for the June 5 games include Michelle Blevins, a Florence native with the Sisters of Notre Dame, Rev. Mark Keen, Pastor of St. Agnes Parish, and Barry Henry, a Serra Club member who is scheduled to be Ordained to the Diaconate on May 4, 2019. Ticket vouchers are $10, and can be purchased through the Diocesan Stewardship Office or from individual Serra Club members. To purchase your tickets, please call Mike Murray at (859) 392-1500 or email Mike at mmurray@covdio.org

NOTRE DAME URBAN EDUCATION CENTER (NDUEC) is seeking volunteers who wish to help provide educational support services to young children in Covington. Tutors are greatly needed for the summer program. NDUEC will be open mornings for summer school starting June 3. If you have a couple hours a week to assist a child to develop their talents, call Mary Gray at 261-4487 or email her at nduecvolunteer@sndky.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT BE CONCERNED. Be Concerned is looking for volunteers to help in the pantry, warehouse, and thrift store of its Covington location. We need people to assist customers selecting their groceries in the pantry, sorting and stocking in the warehouse and thrift store, building senior food boxes, and tidying up the building. We also need drivers for morning, afternoon and evening runs, both on a weekly basis and as fill-ins for regular drivers who are not available. For more information, call Dan Clifford at (859) 291-6789, or email dan.clifford@beconcerned.org.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES – PERFECT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS St. Catherine of Siena Church in Fort Thomas has three job openings for the summer in the maintenance department - a full-time position Monday – Friday from 6:00 a.m. – 2: 30 p.m. and 2 part-time positions 3 - 4 days a week for the same hours. The positions begin the last week of May and run until the middle of August. Job duties include cleaning, moving furniture, yard work and other jobs associated with the summer cleaning of the buildings. Must pass background check and be Virtus certified. Very competitive compensation offered. Please send a resume or letter of interest to dkramer@stcatherinenoisisena.org.

THE SHDHS girls basketball team will hold a summer camp at the SHAC (St. Henry Athletic Complex) for girls entering 1st through 9th grades. The camp will be led by Varsity Head Coach, Steve Brown, the SHDHS girls basketball coaching staff, as well as SHDHS players. The camp will run June 3 - 5 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The cost is $65.

SHDHS Girls Middle School Cross Country: There will be an organizational meeting for any girl entering the 6th, 7th or 8th grade who is interested in joining the St. Henry District High School Middle School Girls Cross Country Team. The meeting for parents/runners will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 15 at the high school. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Ron Otte at rotte@shdhs.org.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT. The annual Life in the Spirit Seminar presented by our Diocese’s Charismatic Renewal (The Mustard Seed Community) will be held at Mother of God Parish this year with an Initial Session on Saturday, May 18, 8am-3pm in the Undercroft, followed by a Concluding Session on Tuesday, May 21, 7-9pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. There is no cost. For more information or to register, call or text Blaine at 859-391-5794 or register online at www.CharismaticNYK.com.

CINCINNATI CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB. Invites single catholic men and women to join for dinner, Sunday, May 19, 5:30pm, Andy’s Mediterranean Grill,906 Nassau St., Eden Park Area, Cincinnati, Contact Don 513-574-8573

The St. Elizabeth Cardio-Vascular Mobile Health Unit will be available for screenings at St. Charles Community on Thurs., May 30th from 11am-4pm. Please call 859-301-8355 for information and registration regarding these life-saving screenings.

PODCASTS. St. Anne Retreat Center is now posting podcasts on their website called Catholic Soup. Soup is a great comfort food. It can be nourishing, meaty, spicy or just plain good. Join us as Monsignor Bill Cleves and Deacon Dave Profitt discuss topics of our Catholic faith that can help you on your journey. It is nourishment for the soul. Go to https://www.stanneretreatcenter.org/catholic-soup.html
Parish Ministries

Advisement Counseling Assistance
Annulments Deacon Chuck Melville 371-3100
Budget Counseling Bernard Kaiser 486-1120
COF Mark Hehman 468-4019
VITA Kevin Byrne 384-2833

Christian Education
Bible Study Rob Gronner 746-3044
CCD/Pre-school/VBS Jackie Koop 371-3100
RCIA Deacon Chuck Melville 371-3100

Church Committees
Finance Council Debbie Koch 817-9229
Pastoral Council David Jansing 743-1280
Stewardship John Mikula 468-0347
Worship Committee Deacon Chuck Melville 371-3100
Altar Society Marty Rohman 250-0693
Children’s Liturgy Alicia Kemp (317) 508-0406
Eucharistic Ministers Connie Spenlau 801-3332
Special Ministers of Holy Communion Mary Gregory 342-5723

Fellowship and Social Committees
Boy Scouts Danny Hein 468-0409
Caring 50+ Club Fredi Spears 907-1457
Crafty Ladies Mary Lorenz 383-1457
Cursillo Community Jeff Jehn 512-5482
Festival Dave Pauly 384-8556
Grounds/STP Club Ken Guenther 630-7070
Holy Names Kathy Vogt 380-0691
Holy Name Society Jeff Jehn 512-5482
Sea Scouts Tim Weber 750-2402
Young Adult Group Sarah Fletcher (618) 554-8831
Youth Group John Kidwell 750-3380

Service and Outreach
Bereavement Patti Taylor 371-3100
Crosstalk Pauline Baumann 341-8641
Families for Life Connie Ehlen 991-2860
Hearts & Hands Mimi Trenkamp 356-7640
Anna Schack 803-6168
Prayer Hot-line Marian Cummins 630-1015
St. Vincent De Paul Dennis Coyne 283-5955
UCM Willy Salyers 414-4173

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Friday - 9 AM For any information to be added into the following weeks bulletin.

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