

May 1, 2022

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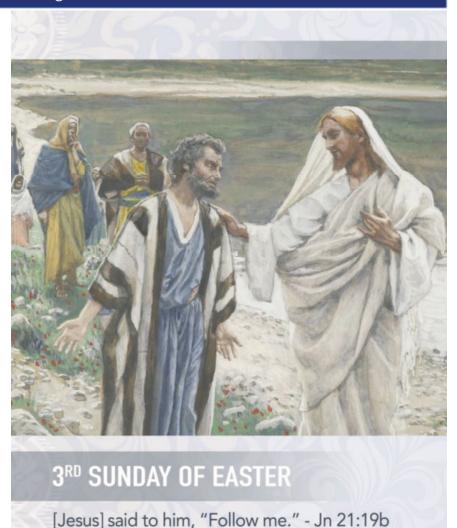
MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday		
Monday St. A	Aloysius 7:15 a.	m.
TuesdaySt. I		m.
WednesdaySt.	Francis 7:15 a.	m.
St. I	Bernard 6:15 p.	m.
Thursday*St		
Friday*St. W		m.
SaturdaySt. I	Bernard 8:00 a.	m.
Saturday		
St. Henry*	4:30 p.	m.
Sunday		
St. Wendelin		
St. Aloysius		
St. Henry *	9:00 a.	m.
St. Bernard	9:45 a.	m.
St. Francis		
St. Henry *	11:30 a.	m.

*Livestreamed on Facebook, YouTube, & Cluster Website

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

- Monday Friday after morning mass
- Wednesday, St. Bernard 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, St. Henry 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, St. Henry 3:15 p.m.



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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 12:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Friday** 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for bulletin information is Monday of each week at 12:00 noon. *Notices must be in writing or emailed to bulletin@sthenrycluster.com* Close to the holidays (approx. 6 times) there will be early bulletin deadlines.

Address, Phone & Email changes

Please contact your Parish Life Coordinator if your address, phone numbers or email has changed so we can keep our records up to date. Thank you!

FORMED

1. Go to Formed.org

a. Click Sign Up and select I belong to a Parish or Organization

2. Find our cluster by name or zij

. Enter your email and you're in! (St. Henry Cluster Parishes,

Code: N8WVAY)

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SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the cluster office if one of your family members is in any hospital or nursing home. We do not receive any information from any hospitals or nursing homes due to their privacy laws. Please remember to pray for those who are sick, in the hospital, in nursing homes, and homebound in our cluster parishes.

Baptisms

All baptisms are at 1:15 p.m. the following Sundays of each month:

1st - St. Aloysius & St. Henry **3rd** - St. Henry

2nd - St. Bernard **4th** - St. Francis & St. Wendelin Call the Cluster office to schedule baptism. Baptism preparation class is required and is held every *3 months*. Our next **BAPTISM CLASS** will be held **Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.** in the St. Henry CCD Center. If you are expecting a child and did not attend this class in the past, call the Cluster office to register, 419-678-4118.

Marriage

For more info, go to our website <u>sthenrycluster.com/marriage</u> or contact the Cluster Office. We require at least a 6 month preparation time. **Weddings outside our Cluster:** If you would like to have your Banns published in the bulletin contact the office 4 weeks before.

Confirmation

2023 Confirmation will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2023

First Communion

May 1, 2022

St. Wendelin - 7:15 a.m.

St. Francis - 10:45 a.m.

St. Henry - 11:30 a.m.

May 15, 2022

St. Aloysius - 8:00 a.m.

St. Bernard - 9:45 a.m.

- Air Force: MSgt. Danielle Kremer-SH; TSgt.
- Army: Sgt. Austin McClure-SH (Reserves); Lt. Col. Charles Whitsett-SH; WO1 Jake Schlarman-SH;
 Private Carter Ontrop-SH
- Marine Corps: LCpl Randy Albers-SH; LCPL David Dennings; GySgt. Adam Wolters-SA
- National Guard: PV2 Timothy Burrows-SH (Army); Sergeant Klint Hemmelgarn-SH; Major Matthew Lauber-SA; Sgt. Cory Mescher-SH; Sgt. Christina Moore-SH; Spc Wyatt Rose-SB (Army)
- Navy: ENS Zachary Miller-SB

please pray for our

MILITARY MEMBERS

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 2
7:15 a.m. St. AloysiusJohn Jansen
Tuesday, May 3
7:15 a.m. St. BernardBert Tobe
Wednesday, May 4
7:15 a.m. St. Francis
6:15 p.m. St. BernardLavern "Pat" Siefring
Thursday, May 5
7:15 a.m. St. HenryCarl Spangler
Friday, May 6
7:15 a.m. St. Wendelin Kenneth Buzard
Saturday, May 7
8:00 a.m. St. BernardBetty Garke
4:30 p.m. St. HenryFor the People
Sunday, May 8
7:15 a.m. St. WendelinFaithful Departed
8:00 a.m. St. Aloysius
9:00 a.m. St. HenryCyril & Romilda Siefring
9:45 a.m. St. Bernard In Thanksgiving
10:45 a.m. St. Francis Florence Bruns
11:30 a.m. St. HenryAlvin Alig

Congratulations

Sunday, May 8	
7:15 a.m. St. Wendelin	Leo & Dorothy Hart (65th Wedding Ann.)
9:45 a.m. St. Bernard	Steve & Marie Heitkamp (50th Wedding Ann.)

Adoration Schedule

Monday - Thursday 8 am to 9 pm (Benediction at 8:45 pm) Friday 8 am to 5 pm (Benediction at 5:00 pm)

- Monday @ St. Aloysius (Kristie Evers: 567-242-8202)
- Tuesday @ St. Bernard (Sandy Post: 419-375-1431)
- Wednesday @ St. Francis (Sharon Rindler: 419-925-5207)
- Thursday @ St. Henry (Peg Fullenkamp: 419-678-8061)
- Friday @ St. Wendelin (Diana Koesters: 419-852-2242)

FAMILY HOLY HOUR: 1st Friday of the month at St. Francis, 5 pm

If you do not have a regular hour of Adoration but are interested in being added to the schedule, please contact the Committee member for your parish.

Weather & Cancellations

- If St. Henry Schools are delayed or canceled (due to weather), only Adoration and youth events are canceled. Other youth announcements will be on <u>GroupMe</u>.
- If Mercer County is on a Level 2+, weekday masses will be at St. Francis.
 Weekend masses will be announced on WSCM and social media.
- If there is a FUNERAL MASS, morning Mass will still be held at 7:15 a.m. Only Adoration is cancelled at the parish where the Funeral Mass is held.





April 24, 2022

St. Aloysius
Attendance150
Sunday Offering\$772.00
(env\$ 575.00; loose - \$197.00)
Easter Sunday Offering\$100.00
Capital Improvement\$20.00
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St. Bernard (Weekly goal - \$2,150.00)
Attendance280
Sunday Offering\$1,104.00
(33 env\$816.00; loose - \$288.00)
Easter Sunday Offering\$160.00
Good Friday\$5.00
Candles\$60.00
CCD Special Donation\$60.00
St. Francis
Attendance228
Sunday Offering\$1.569.25
(env\$1.440.00 : loose - \$129.25)
Candles\$10.00
St. Henry (Weekly goal - \$9,260.00))
Attendance 258 (4:30p) 328 (9am) 188 (11:30 a.m.)
Sunday Offering\$7.463.00
(118 env\$ 6,189.00; loose-\$ 1,274.00 ; online giving - monthly)
Easter Sunday Offering\$485.00
Good Friday\$150.00
CCD Tuition\$1,165.00
Cemetery\$1,125.00
Candles\$63.00
Stipend\$150.00
Religious Education Program\$906.00
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St. Wendelin
Attendance176
Sunday Offering\$873.00
(16 env\$386.00; loose - \$487.00)
Candles\$38.00



May 8 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Reading I: Acts 13: 14, 43-52 (Paul's and Barnabas' address to the gentiles)

Reading II: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 (Rejoicing of the elect of every nation)

Gospel: John 10:27-30 (Words at the feast of the dedication of the Temple)

A note from Father...

The Eucharist and Holiness – As we celebrate our children's First Holy Communion this month, all of us have an opportunity to reflect upon our relationship to the Eucharist. Two things are helpful for us to consider in this regard: devotion and piety. **Devotion** is a certain ardor of affection in the things of God, usually a sensible affection. **Piety** is a gift of the Holy Spirit, which inspires in us a religious disposition – it is the perfection of the *virtue of religion*, by which we give God what He deserves: our worship. Piety prompts us to worship God and revere Holy Things, and devotion makes us want to express that worship in an affectionate, reverent way.

The Eucharist should be the central focus of our piety and devotion, because this Sacrament is Jesus Christ, the Son of God; it is the holiest Thing in Heaven and on Earth! In fact, the Eucharist is holiness incarnate because It is God incarnate. How we act towards the Eucharist is how we act towards God. If we love the Eucharist, if we honor the Eucharist, we love and honor God. Our disposition towards the Eucharist says a lot about our disposition towards God, which is why it is important to behave in a pious, devoted manner towards this Sacrament. Here are five ways that we can express piety and increase our devotion to the Eucharist:

- 1. Always receive the Eucharist while in the state of grace. God and sin cannot dwell in communion together. This means that if we are conscious of grave sin, in ordinary circumstances we should make a good, sacramental confession before receiving Holy Communion. *Remember*: Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, but they are not obliged to receive Holy Communion.
- **2. Receive the Eucharist reverently.** Approach as if you are approaching God, receive as if you are receiving God, consume as if you are consuming God...*because you are.* The Eucharist isn't just ordinary food, it is the Bread of Heaven, so we shouldn't treat It like It is ordinary, but treat It like it is the holiest thing we will ever receive...*because It is.*
- 3. Spend time in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. In Heaven, we will spend eternal life adoring God. If we don't like spending time adoring God now, chances are we won't want to do it for eternity. Adoration prepares our hearts for Heaven, and increases our ardor for God in this sacrament. In adoration, His Heart of love enflames our hearts to love.
- **4. Behave reverently in the presence of the Eucharist.** When entering and exiting the Church, always genuflect towards the Tabernacle (or bow, if physically unable to genuflect); maintain quiet in the church out of respect for others who are speaking to Our Lord; dress modestly and appropriately how we dress in church expresses something about our reverence for the Eucharist.
- **5. Make a good thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion**. Spend a little time after Communion and Mass in thanksgiving before leaving. As St. Teresa said about those precious moments after receiving the Eucharist: "After Communion let us not waste so good an opportunity to do business with God. As a rule, His Divine Majesty does not pay badly for his lodging, if He gets a good reception." This Sacrament is the treasury of all grace so be receptive to those treasures!

The more we conform our lives to Jesus in the Eucharist, the more deeply His holiness will root itself in our lives. Holiness leads to happiness, and the Lord has given us Himself in this Sacrament in order to make us holy, in order to make us happy. If we have Him, we have everything we need to be peaceful, joyful Christian people. In this month of May, let us also ask our Blessed Mother to help us love her Son more devotedly in the Eucharist. She is the best teacher in this regard. May God bless you in the week ahead and may Mother Mary lead you more deeply into the Sacred and Merciful Heart of Jesus. I remain,

Affectionately yours in Christ,

Fr. Hess





CLUSTER

SAFEPARISH 1ST QUARTERLY BULLETIN IS PAST DUE!

VOLUNTEERS: All volunteers who work with youth and all employees need to be registered in SafeParish. If you haven't done so, go to our cluster website https://www.sthenrycluster.com/safeparish for registration instructions. Please check your inbox and spam folders for this video or go to the TRAINING tab in your SafeParish account. New volunteers should contact the cluster office for payment options. **www.aocsafeenvironment.org**

HOST HOMES NEEDED (6/18-6/24 for our **Totus Tuus program** for the youth this summer. Please see more information in the Youth Ministry section! Contact Miranda if you are willing to help! 567-279-4541 or youth@sthenrycluster.com

GRIEFSHARE SESSIONS to be offered in our local community. Sessions will be held at the St. Henry Religious Ed. Center beginning Thursday, May 5, from 7pm – 8:30pm and continue for 13 weeks ending on July 28. Anyone who has experienced the death of a family member or friend is invited to attend. Past participants have related how helpful this program has been in their grieving process. Call Pat Stachler 419-678-3774, Pat Kittle 419-852-6171 or Mary Wenning, 419-678-8830 for more information. You can also email patstachler@roadrunner.com

FRESHMEN PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION next year 2023 should attend one of the two meeting nights:

- Sunday, May 1, 2022, St. Bernard Church Basement at 7:00- 8:00 pm
- Tuesday, May 17, 2022, St. Bernard Church Basement at 7:00-8:00 pm

FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE for parents and students will be held in each respective church. Students will be enrolled in the Brown Scapular at practice.

- 🕆 St. Aloysius- Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 pm



The St. Henry Cluster welcomes the following in the sacrament of baptism. Congratulations to them and their families.

St. Henry:

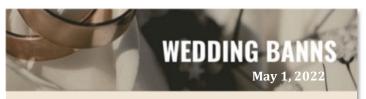
Landon James, son of Travis & Kenzie Turvy

Fitzpatrick John, son of Matt Nietfeld & Danielle Barhorst **St. Aloysius:**

Evelyn Jane & Oliva Marie, twin daughters of Mark & Nicole Wuebker

Nolan Daniel, son of Daniel & Janel Rex

Louis Christopher, son of Ryan Thobe & Natalie Franck



St. Henry:

Ann III: Lauren Goettemoeller - Evan Holcombe (5.7.2022)
Ann II: Cara Rutschilling, St. Henry, daughter of Charles & Joan Rutschilling - Garrett Homan, St. Susana, Mason Ohio, son of Randal & Deborah Homan (5.14.2022)
Ann II: Olivia Clune, St. Henry, daughter of Alan & Ann Clune - Ryan Koenig, St. John, Maria Stein, son of Dan & Kelly Koenig (5.21.2022)

Congratulations!!

Deacon Randy Balster on your 15th Anniversary of your Ordination of the Diaconate.

CLUSTER MISSION GROUP

Our **NEXT MEETING** will be held May 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the CCD Building.

RAFFLE WINNERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL are

\$100 - Betty Tobe \$30 - Dan & Linda Thieman \$50 - Bob Bueter \$20 - Jerome Homan

Congratulations to the Winners.

THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE COLLECTION: This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



MERCER COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE will be **SELLING ROSES** for Mother's Day after the masses on May 7 and May 8. Roses are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Please join us on May 1st at 1 pm for a prayer service and/or 2-6 pm for an open house at Montezuma Spiritual Center as we celebrate **BR. NICK RENNER'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY** with the Missionaries of the Precious Blood.

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BOTTLES FOR BABIES! The St. Henry Cluster is committed to saving the lives of unborn babies, so we're hosting a Bottles for Babies fundraiser! Money raised from the event will benefit the lifesaving work of Elizabeth's New Life Center, an organization which provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, pre-natal care and material assistance to abortion-minded women. To participate in Bottles for Babies, all you have to do is pick up a bottle starting on May 8, 2022 and fill it with coins, cash, and checks (made out to ENLC). Please return your bottle by June 19, 2022. You can also donate online by visiting www.ElizabethNewLife.org. It only costs ENLC \$500 to save the life of one baby, and in 2020, ENLC saved 1,948 babies from abortion. Participate today to help us reach our goal of saving 32 babies as a church!



ST. ALOYSIUS

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PORTERS

Doug Jansen April 25 - May 1 Dale Pottkotter May 2 - May 8

MAY CHURCH CLEANERS: Teresa Gerlach, Janessa Tobe & Connie Klenke

With the **WARMER WEATHER**, please check the decorated gravesites in the cemetery of your loved one for anything out of place. Thank you!

GOD'S SPECIAL BLESSINGS on our FOUR NEWEST PARISHIONERS being baptized today: *Olivia Marie & Evelyn Jane Wuebker*, daughters of Mark & Nicole Wuebker, *Louis Christopher Thobe*, Son of Natalie Franck & Ryan Thobe, and *Nolan Daniel Rex*, Son of Daniel & Janel Rex. Congratulations!



ST. BERNARD

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Lisa Homan......419-852-0948

St. Bernard would like to organize a **PRAYER CHAIN**. If you would like to pray for those in need, please contact Jill Gelhaus @ 937-459-6771.

FIRST COMMUNION at St. Bernard will be May 15, 2022 at the 9:45am Mass. Practice for children and parents will be held on May 11 at 7:00pm.



EASTER FLOWERS in church are in memory/honor of Arnold Schwieterman & Joseph Stueve Families, Ontrop & Good Family, Julius & Marian Siefring, Sharon Rose, Dan Niekamp, Aloys & Hilda Siefring,

Henry & Marie Dircksen, Morris Siefring, Doris Hemmelgarn; Bernard Heitkamp, John Zahn, Adam Keller & Fred Roessner Families; Leroy, Rose & Bruce Schwieterman Families, Thomas Dahlinghaus, Victoria Schmackers, Forgotten Souls, Paul Mestemaker, Richard Langenkamp, Louis, Eleanora & Jim Zumwald, Ed & Stella Piekenbrock, Cy & Romilda Siefring, Marilyn Schlater, Earl & Berneice Baltes, Marilyn Werling, Jack Kaiser, Art & Alvina Rindler

ST. BERNARD CCD REGISTRATION is now open for the 2022 -2023 school year. Registration forms can be downloaded from the cluster website or found in the back of the church. Please mail completed forms to Jill Gelhaus, 3741 Elroy Ansonia Rd., Ansonia, OH 45303. Due date for registration is June 15th. For more information call: Jill 937-459-6771

Please check our **LOST & FOUND BOX** for any personal items left behind after Mass. There are a few rosaries and prayer books in the box. The box is located under the bulletin board at the main entrance to church.

ST. BERNARD LADIES GUILD MOTHER DAUGHTER CARRY IN BANQUET to be held on Monday, May 2, 2022. Cocktails to begin at 6:00 p. m. with dinner at 6:30 p. m. The Guild will provide soup, salad, and drinks. Please bring a side to share whether a vegetable, fruit, or dessert. This banquet is open to all 2nd grade daughters and older. RSVP in the back of church on the sign-up sheet or call Cheryl Siefring at 419-852-1498 before April 24.

There is no cost to attend this banquet. There will be a free will donation basket available at the door. Our parish is in need of a new altar cross and candlesticks for the altar and by the tabernacle. The crucifix and candleholders that are currently in use are in terrible condition and not worthy of Divine Worship. The total cost of the set will be in the range of \$5000-\$6200 depending on the combination of size and number of candlesticks ordered.

With the ARRIVAL OF SPRING WEATHER, it is once again time to PREPARE OUR CEMETERY FOR MOWING AND TRIMMING. Please check the graves/tombstones of your loved ones. There is a floral arrangement that blew off during the wind storms. Please claim this if it is yours. Also, please remember that during the mowing season (typically late April through October) to only place items on the actual tombstones and not on/in the ground around the tombstone. Your assistance with this is most appreciated.

VBS PLANNING MEETING: Join us in help planning for this year's Vacation Bible School on Monday, May 9th at 7:00pm in the church basement. Bible School at St Bernard will be held July 18-21 for children preschool thru those entering the 5th grade next year. All are welcome!

Are you looking for a way to share your faith, time and talents with others? The St. Bernard CCD program is in need of a **5**TH **GRADE TEACHER** for next school year 2022-2023. We offer training and support along with user friendly teaching

materials. This is a paid position. We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you! Contact Jill Gelhaus for more information 937-459-6771.

With the recent retirement of the MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE, St. Bernard's Parish is LOOKING FOR INTERESTED VOLUNTEERS to help with the various tasks that are needed to be done. All help is appreciated. If you are interested in helping your parish, please contact a parish council member or call Mike Garke at 567-644-6613.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN PROGRESS: Total Pledges received in the month of March are \$4,270.00. We are truly grateful for the pledges that have come in! Phases still needing funds are: Tuck Point clean and seal of all bricks and mortar joints and Basement and Rectory Windows. If you have not yet sent in your commitment card, please prayerfully consider doing so. More information can be found in the back of the church by the confessional or by contacting Adam Stammen 937-344-0565 or Matthew Niekamp 937-423-8236.

Thank you to Fr. Hess, deacon, servers and communion distributors for their comforting funeral mass for Becky Clune and to the lunch committee for a delicious meal and all the cards, condolences & food from friends & neighbors. It meant so much at a time like this.— Mike Clune Family.



ST. FRANCIS

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS who are receiving Jesus for the first time today: Caleb Albers, son of Brian & Kelli, Maria Hartings, daughter of Scott & Shelly, Abigail Huelskamp, daughter of Eric & Jodi, Miranda Huwer, daughter of Roger & Karla, Vivian Huwer, daughter of Jason & Katie, Krosley Koesters, son of Nathan & Kara, Ellie Langenkamp, daughter of Dave & Shari, Tucker Link, son of Matt & Vicki, Henry Schwieterman, son of Otto & Laura, Olivia Watercutter, daughter of Matt & Karla, Leona Weitzel, daughter of Adam & Amanda.

With warmer weather approaching, please check the decorated **GRAVE SITES ON THE CEMETERY** of your loved ones to make sure the grave sites are mower accessible for the summer. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Please check our **LOST & FOUND BOX** for any personal items left behind after Mass. The box is located on the shelf in the entrance of church.



ST. HENRY

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Altar Rosary President	
Mindy Siefring	dmsief@gmail.com

There will be **SPECIAL ROSARY BEFORE MASS WITH THE D of I** as well as a May crowning by our First communicants on May 8 at 9 mass. All are welcome!

A MASS TO HONOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES will be held on May 22rd at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Refreshments and a light breakfast will be served to the graduates and their parents after the Mass. Graduates (with gowns) and parents need to meet in the church basement at 8:30 a.m. There will be reserved seating for the graduates and their parents. Due to the number of graduates, we anticipate a larger crowd than usual. Attending a different mass time may help with crowding issues.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: Summer schedules will soon be created for ministries. If your summer schedule necessitates you changing to a different mass time, please let me know or you may change that in the scheduler. Any unavailable dates can be emailed to me if you are not able to submit those dates through the scheduling system at sheduletr.com. All high school seniors will remain on the schedule through the summer months unless I am notified otherwise.



ST. WENDELIN

Pastoral Council President
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Homebound Ministry
Mary Jo Dues
Parish Prayer Chain
Karen Post
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CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S SPECIAL BLESSINGS be upon Alaina Lochtefeld and Ella Will as they make their First Communion today! Alaina is the daughter of Matt and Stacy Lochtefeld. Ella is the daughter of Sam and Lindsay Will.

Please take a few minutes to assist in getting our **CEMETERY READY FOR MOWING** by checking the graves of your loved ones and removing loose flowers, wires, broken vases or any other decorations that may interfere with mowing. Your assistance is most appreciated! Thank you.

Help is needed with the **WEEKLY TASK OF VACUUMING OUR CHURCH**. If you are willing to assist, please sign up on the schedule in the entrance of church.



Ladies: Do you want to grow in who you are as a woman, wife, and mother? Do you desire strong friendships with other moms? Join Created to Believe: Called to Motherhood study with Cana Family. Meetings run bi-monthly throughout the school year. Sign up now at Canafamilyinstitute.com, groups will decide meeting times that work once enough participants join. Feel free to call Shelly Hartings with any questions 419.852.9235

Men: Becoming Provider, Reigning in Life- a Catholic Men's small group forming now. Through Cana Family Institute, Men are learning about the dignity of work and how this applies to raising a family in the faith. Men's groups are forming in our parish, join by visiting canafamilyinstitute.com Bi-monthly meetings starting in the fall to engage your faith as a husband and father. Contact Scott and Shelly Hartings for any questions 419.852.9235.

REDISCOVERING JOY: A GROUP FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. The group meets on the second Monday of every month at the R & R Fabrications, Inc meeting room . At the May meeting the group plans to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with their Annual Taco Night. All food will be provided. In addition to monthly meetings, the group also offers a variety of social outings for members. For more information, please call or text Judy at 419-733-5629 or Mary at 419-678-8830. Email is also available at rediscoveringjoy@yahoo.com. New members are always welcome.

LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGE – RETROUVAILLE (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register call 513 486-6222 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

DAY OF RENEWAL: LOVE, MERCY & FORGIVENESS; St. Marys Parish in Greenville invite you to their Annual Day of Renewal on Tuesday, May 17, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. The theme this year is Divine Mercy. It will be a beautiful day of prayer and inspirational presentations with Connie McEldowney and Mother Marie-Cecile of the Trinity. Lunch will be provided and free will offerings will be accepted. RSVP by April 29 by contacting Ginny Metzcar at 937.916.5020 or 937.417.1305 or email gmetzcar47@gmail.com . All are welcome.



YOUTH MINISTRY

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- May 2 Teen Night
- May 3 Men's Small Groups 5th-6th grade
- May 4 Men's Small Groups 7th-12th grade
- May 6 Breakfast Club
- May 6 First Friday Family Holy Hour
- May 11 7th Grade Guys Lunch The 7th grade guys are invited to join us for lunch in the St. Henry Church
 Basement at 11:30am! Pizza & drinks provided. Guys must sign up in CCD center to attend lunch. Fr. Dan
 Schmitmeyer is the Director of Vocations for the
 Archdiocese and will be joining us!
- May 11 Women's Small Groups 7th-12th grade
- May 13 Breakfast Club
- May 17 Women's Small Groups 5th-6th grade
- May 18 Men's Small Groups 7th-12th grade
- May 22 Graduation Masses
- June 11-19 Affirming the Existence of God: From the Darkness of Doubt to the Illumination of Truth (for 16-18 year olds) More info below!
- June 19-24 Totus Tuus more details to come! Grades 1
 -12. Looking for host homes for the missionaries to stay
 in. Details below.

BREAKFAST CLUB- Fridays @ 7am, St. Henry Church Basement - Join us weekly for the Breakfast Club! Food & fellowship before school! Bring a friend! Great way to kick off your weekend! *Grades 6+*.

TEEN NIGHT - 1st Monday of the month at 8pm, Montezuma Spiritual Center ran by the Life in the Spirit core team. Feature local teen speaker, praise & worship, and one-on-one prayer time.

SMALL GROUPS - If you're looking to dig a little deeper in your faith, ask tough questions, and solidify friendships with each other and Jesus, join us for small groups! Groups are determined by age/gender.

- **5th-6th GRADE -** Tuesdays from 3:15-4:30 pm in the St. Henry church basement
- **7th-12th GRADE** Wednesdays (every other week) starting at 8 pm, St. Henry CCD center

FIRST FRIDAY FAMILY HOLY HOUR On the first Friday of each month, your entire family is invited to join in a Family Holy Hour at 5pm at St. Francis! The hour includes guided prayer, adoration & diving into the Word. "Jesus came to us through a family; we must defend marriage & families, support each other in prayer, learning & activities." Fr. Mike Schmitz.

TOTUS TUUS Latin for "Totally Yours," is a week-long summer catechetical youth program that combines Catholic religious instruction and having FUN!!! A team of college-age students and seminarians are coming to the parish the week of June 19. The youthfulness and energy of the teachers is an inspiring way to share the faith and their enthusiasm is contagious, so come out and join us!!!

• Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM for school children

going into **grades 1-6**. The day includes catechetical instruction on our theme – Prayer and the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary, songs and skits that are silly but teach the faith, encounters with the sacraments, particularly Confession and Eucharist, and time for games and recess.

- For teens, those entering 7 12 grades, a teen program
 of Totus Tuus is Sunday-Thursday 7:00 PM 9:00 PM with
 more in-depth discussions on our theme.
- HOST HOMES NEEDED- Host families provide sleeping arrangements, morning breakfast, and afternoon snacks for the team. The hospitality and vocational witness of the Host family are irreplaceable for the teachers of Totus Tuus. Host families are needed from the time the team arrives Saturday (6/18) afternoon until their departure the following Friday (6/24) afternoon or Saturday (6/25) morning.

RETREATS/EXPERIENCES + SCHOLARSHIPS Our whole goal is to help you embrace the adventure of discipleship. To know, love and serve the Lord. We encourage you to go on retreats, experiences, etc. to grow in faith by hands-on experiences! We know this can come at a cost. Each student has an annual stipend they can utilize towards retreat costs. All details on scholarships and eligible retreats/experiences are here: stherrycluster.com/youth-ministry/retreats.

- Affirming the Existence of God: From the Darkness of **Doubt to the Illumination of Truth** (June 11-19): Teens, 16-18 years old and already strong in their Catholic Faith, are invited to a deepening of that faith during the 2022 Eagle Eye Summer Institute in Maria Stein, OH! Come join us on an eight-day summer session full of fun, friendship, prayer, and study. Led by the Brothers and Sisters of St. John, we are dedicated to helping you make this experience the best it can be! Cost: \$425 (\$430.75 when paid online) - scholarships available (see Youth Min>Retreats online) Register here: https:// eagleeyeministries.brushfire.com/eagle-eye-summerinstitutes/525239For Beth more info: Gillen (bethy20078@gmail.com)
- **CYSC 2022**: Registration opened on September 30. Spots filled up fast. We're left with registering for the waitlist for 2022. This can be a life-changing, expensive week. We've got scholarships to help ease the cost. More info online.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Check out 'Volunteer' under Youth Ministry on the website <u>sthenrycluster.com</u>.



The next **ST. HENRY LASSIES AND LADS 4H CLUB MEETING** will be the Fishing Derby on Wednesday, May 4 from 6:30-8:00 PM at Nick and Connie Gast's pond (411 W. Kremer Hoying Rd., St. Henry).

The CANCER ASSOCIATION OF MERCER COUNTY is excited to invite everyone back to the Wally Post Athletic Complex in St. Henry on Friday May 6th from 4 – 11pm for the **24TH** ANNUAL HOPEFEST. We encourage you to form a team to honor or support those who have or who have had cancer. Team registration is \$150.00 and with that registration fee you receive up to 15 Hopefest t-shirts. Please call the Cancer Association office at 419-584-0014 or email camc@bright.net for more information.

WENDELIN SPORTS CLUB will be serving carry-out **BBQ CHICKEN DINNERS** on Mother's Day, May 8th from 4-6. This is presale only. Call 419-375-4562 to reserve your dinners. Deadline to order is April 24th .

ST. HENRY SCHOOLS has several openings for **SUMMER CLEANING**. You must be 16 years old or older. The hours can be flexible. If interested, call Sherri Ranly at (419) 678-4834, ext. 2101.

BLOOD DRIVE: May 11th at the St. Henry American Legion Hall from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Weekly Schedule: May 2-6						
	Monday SA - 7:15 am	Tuesday SB - 7:15 am	Wednesday SF - 7:15 am	Wednesday SB - 6:15 pm	Thursday SH - 7:15 am	Friday SW - 7:15 am
Priest	Fr. Hess	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Hess	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Jacquemin
Sacristan	Dan Schmiesing	Don Rindler	Mary Schmitmeyer	Jerome Siefring	Phil Fullenkamp	_
Servers	Joe Hess	Don Rindler	Eric Buschur	Leah Homan Wyatt Homan	Zach Buschur Jack Buschur Brody Schwartz	Greg Wendel
Lectors	Nancy Wuebker	Marleen Evers	Janelle Homan	Jill Gelhaus	Peg Fullenkamp	Marie Heitkamp
E/M	Nancy Wuebker	Karen Schlater	Mary Schmitmeyer	Kris Siefring	-	Ginny Post
Rosary 7:00 p.m.	-	_	Bob & Mary Schmitmeyer	Henry & Ruth Kunkler	Don & Mary Miller Jean Siefring	_

Worship Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 7						
	8:00 a.m SB	4:30 p.m SH				
Priest	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Hess				
Deacon	_	Jerry Buschur (h)				
Sacristan	Lori Boeke	Howard Stammen				
Servers	Johnathan Siefring Jayna Kaiser	Shane Franck Ben Rindler Heidi Franck				
Lectors	Kelly Jo Siefring	Cindy Kaup Nolan Fullenkamp				
E/M	Don Ontrop	Lori Holdheide Jan Borgerding				
Ushers	-	Andy Fullenkamp Matt Cahill James Stachler				
Offertory	-	Clayton & Sheila Lange Family				
Rosary	Jill Gelhaus	_				



Sunday, May 8								
	7:15 a.m SW	8:00 a.mSA	9:00 a.m SH	9:45 a.mSB	10:45 a.mSF	11:30 a.mSH		
Priest	Fr. Hess	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Hess	Fr. Jacquemin	Fr. Hess	Fr. Jacquemin		
Deacon	Jerry Buschur (h)	Gregg Elking (h)	Jerry Buschur (h)	Gregg Elking (h)	Jerry Buschur (h)	Gregg Elking (h)		
Sacristan	_	Sarah Franck	Eric Koesters	Scott Siefring	Mark Hibner	Mark Stammen		
Servers	Alyssa Stammen Kate Rosenbeck	Kaylee Franck Peter Jansen Dan Franck	Connor Buschur Clayton Everman Jalynn Everman	Tiff & Adam Langenkamp Logan Dehan	Jackson & Lillian Sonner Ava & Emme Watercutter	Eli Schmit Isaiah Horstman Elijah Horstman		
Lectors	Denise Stammen	Kendra Wolters	Marjorie Stachler Marty Schmackers	Carol Niekamp	Jerry Watercutter Kathy Watercutter	Paul Hemmelgarn Craig Buschur		
E/M	Jerry Buschur	Julie Kessen Gregg Homan	Mike & Rose Moeder	Gregg Elking Jennifer Langenkamp Carol Powell	Jerry Buschur Nicole Sonner	Angie Imel Trent Buschur		
Ushers	Greg Wendel Roger Speck	John Wuebker Dan Hart	Nick Schwieterman James Bowers Marvin Lefeld	Dan Langenkamp Marv Broering Brandon Gelhaus	Zach Homan Mark Watercutter	Mark Buschur Ryan Buschur Kevin Niekamp		
Rosary	-	Doug & Sarah Jansen	Marty Schmackers	Jill Gelhaus	Roger & Karla Huwer	Dorothy Borger		
Offertory	Les & Betty Hemmelgarn	Tom & Julie Kessen	Shawn & Tracy Thieman Family	Heitkamp Grandchildren	Josh & Heather Gelhaus Family	Craig & Susan Miller Family		
Home- bound	_	_	Sue Freisthler Gene Figel Edna Lange	-	-	_		
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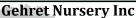




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