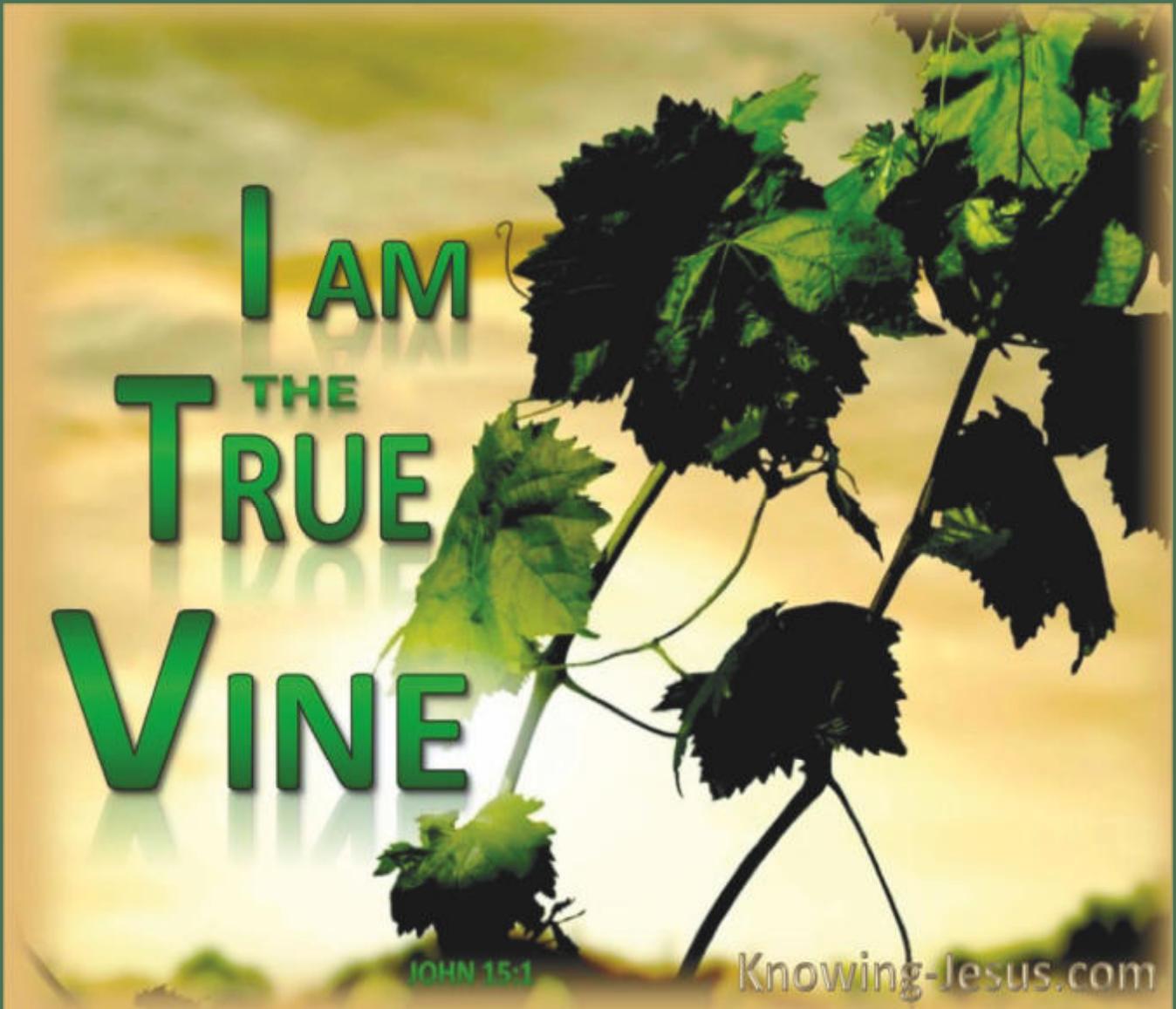




# *HOLY CROSS - IMMACULATA*

*Mount Adams Cincinnati, Ohio*

*May 2, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter*



## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>SATURDAY</b> May 1	<b>ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER</b> <b>VIGIL FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 4:00 p.m. Mass: People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> May 2	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 8:00 a.m. Mass: Barb DeAngelo 10:30 a.m. Mass: Jim Grady Sr. (Mike & Gayle McCafferty)
<b>MONDAY</b> May 3	<b>STS. PHILLIP AND JAMES, Apostles</b> 6:10 p.m. Mass: Barb DeAngelo
<b>TUESDAY</b> May 4	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b> 8:00 a.m. Mass: People of the Parish
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> May 5	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b> 6:10 p.m. Mass: People of the Parish
<b>FRIDAY</b> May 7	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b> 8:00 a.m. Mass: Jerry Fuell ( Monday Morning Prayer Group)
<b>SATURDAY</b> May 8	<b>VIGIL FOR SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 4:00 p.m. Mass: People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> May 9	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 8:00 a.m. Mass: Living & Deceased Mother's of the Parish 10:30 a.m. Mass: Living & Deceased Mother's of the Parish

## Collection Report

April 24 & 25, 2021

Sunday Collection    \$ 937.00

Votive Candles        \$ 88.00

**Total Parish Revenue \$ 1025.00**



## Lectors

Saturday, May 8

4:00 p.m. Pete Prokop

Sunday, May 9

8:00 a.m. Don Capannari

10:30 a.m. David Haynes

## Honor Mom

ON MOTHERS DAY

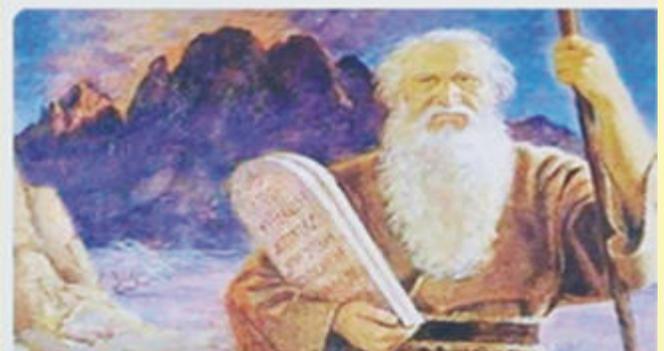
Mother's Day is Sunday, May 9th. Remember your mother, grandmother or a special woman in your life this Mother's Day in a special way. Donations will be used for landscaping the parish grounds and around our historic steps. You and your designation will be included in the bulletin on Mother's Day weekend. Pick up an envelope at the exits of Church or contribute electronically via WeShare, just go to our website at [www.hciparish.org](http://www.hciparish.org). Deadline: May 3rd



## Holy Hour

Wednesday  
May 12  
2:30 - 5:30

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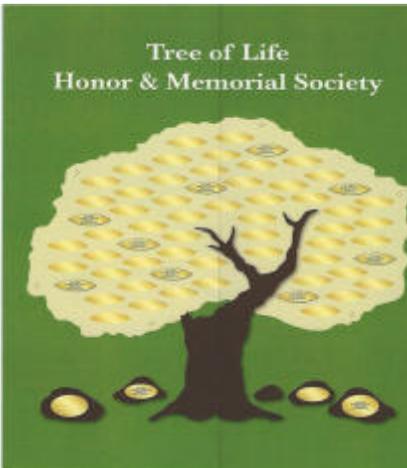
# BIRTHDAYS

- 4 - Larry Gilb
- 4 - Gerry Losey
- 5 - Gary Stanley
- 10 - Annie Oehler
- 11 - Sharon Down
- 11 - Marsha Herrmann
- 13 - Matthew Baca
- 16 - Susan Daugherty
- 19 - Amy Obermeyer
- 21 - Marlene Schultz
- 24 - Bill Donovan
- 27 - Michelle Cristo
- 29 - Debbie Gilb
- 29 - James Losey



# ANNIVERSARIES

- 2-Walt & Ann Carroll
- 3-Larry & Lainie Boberschmidt
- 3-Bill & Rose Donovan
- 9-James & Gerry Losey
- 25-Mario & Gabriella Zuccarello
- 27-Dennis & Susan Daugherty



Honor your Mother or Father, your Grandparents or your entire family this year with a lasting memorial at Holy Cross-Immaculata.

When a group of relatives join together, the cost for the Tree of Life can be shared by everyone. Your loved ones will be honored and remembered at Holy Cross-Immaculata for years to come.



## IMMACULATA CHAMBER

## MUSIC SERIES

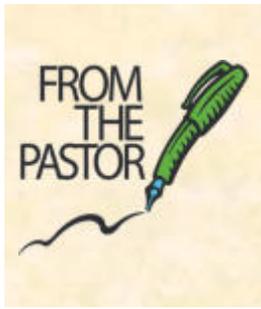
Sunday, May 16 at 4:00p.m.



### The Memorare

Remember, O Most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother!

To you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.



On April 21, the Peace and Justice Committee for the Archdiocesan Presbyteral Council sponsored a virtual convocation for all priests involved in pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese. The theme for the morning session was: Anti-Racism – A Call for Pastoral Concern and Action. Bishop Shelton Fabre, Chair of the USCCB ad hoc Committee Against Racism, was the keynote speaker. Following Bishop Fabre's presentation, there were several personal testimonies and presentations from two faculty members at the University of Dayton on the history of and sociology underpinning racism. The afternoon session focused on the most recent updates for the Beacons of Light Long Term Planning program for the Archdiocese.



In the Fall of 2020, Archbishop Schnurr announced **Beacons of Light**, a pastoral planning process through which the parishes of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will come together in new ways, forming communities of faith that are united as members of Christ's Body, the Church. In his announcement the Archbishop stated, "The beacon shines in the midst of darkness and points the way toward a bright future filled with hope. Over the next few years, Beacons of Light will result in stronger parishes that will form us to live and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in our homes, workplaces and schools, local towns and cities and in the world."

**Most Recent Statistics:**

145 diocesan priests  
102 serve as pastors  
9 are 75 or older  
25 are 70 or older  
4 deaths 2020-2021  
2 retirements in 2021  
7 ordinations in 2021  
19 pastors are 70+  
7 pastors are 75+  
2022-2025:  
50 possible retirements

Beacons of Light will be a unique experience of pastoral planning for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. There are two essential elements of the process, which will take place simultaneously and will lead us to move from maintenance to mission, from surviving to thriving. Strategic Planning: involves data gathering, analysis, and the identification of the best possible parish groupings throughout the Archdiocese. Pastoral Planning: includes meetings and processes through which parish leaders will discern the shape of parish life for their grouping and create a pastoral plan for the future. Since that time, a consulting firm has gathered and analyzed data provided by each parish and has worked with the planning office of the Archdiocese to develop principles and vision points.

In past long-term planning programs, each deanery of the Archdiocese was divided first into "pastoral planning regions" and then into "clusters of parishes", but cooperative arrangements were often restricted by deanery boundaries, and the parishes staffed by religious orders were usually not included in the overall planning process.

In this new program, the model of "Families of Parishes" will be formed under various models. For example, one "family" might be formed which will include a large, suburban parish together with a smaller urban parish. In some cases, the larger parish might choose to help finance the ministries of the smaller parish as part of their outreach. The goal is to create fewer "canonical parishes" under the leadership of one pastor with either satellite "missions" - or in the case of Holy Cross-Immaculata, a "shrine" affiliated with the family of parishes. The size of each parish family will vary, depending on the reason for the groupings and the geographical distances between the various locations. This process will begin sometime this fall and will continue through the summer of 2022.

In this new model, Holy Cross-Immaculata will at some point become one member of a newly formed "parish family". Fr. Barry Windholtz and the Parish Advisory Council will be working with the pastors and parish council members from other parishes and the planning office of the archdiocese in the months ahead. Let us pray for them and wish them luck!



The second paragraph of the United States Declaration of Independence starts as follows: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that “all men are created equal...”. But we know from our history that equality among men and women, and equality among white Americans, Native Americans and Black Americans has not been our reality. We have strived to right the wrongs of our past. The Civil Rights movement of the 1960’s was a great turning point for our country, but we know that our aspirations to create a society in which racial harmony exists and where liberty and justice will truly be provided for all people continues even now. White supremacist groups, the treatment of immigrants, and most recently hate crimes toward Asian Americans signal strong racial divides in our country, and the world.



As the Archdiocese of Cincinnati celebrates its bicentennial year, called and challenged to “Radiate Christ,” a key component of our celebration is the future planning process for parish vitality entitled ‘Beacons of Light.’ For our parishes to radiate Christ and to bring the light of Christ’s grace and love to all, we must be advocates for justice in all of its forms. This means that we must address the evil and sin of racism, to be credible witnesses to all God has placed in our care. It must be a priority of the Church in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to demonstrate pastoral concern, action, and leadership for our brothers and sisters injured by the sin of racism and to lead in healing the racial divides in and among us.

The Gospel and faith guide us with a sense of urgency to acknowledge sin in our lives and turn to grace for conversion and life. “Now is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of heaven is near.” The days of Easter remind us that all sin can be conquered. We invite the Spirit of God who dwells in us to “open our eyes that we may see; and come fill our hearts and make us whole.” We pray to the Lord now, to create in us a clean heart, so that we may follow our Lord’s command to always love



# U.S. Bishop's Catholic Social Teaching on Racial Discrimination & Injustice

The U.S. Catholic Church has for over 60 years been writing on racial discrimination and injustice. Most notably, you will see that the critical themes of human dignity, solidarity, and transformation are pervasive, as is the recognition that racism influences not only personal behavior but also systems and institutions (including our Church). Furthermore, it is up to us, people of faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to educate ourselves as we attempt to end the evil of racism and work for a more just and equitable world.

Discrimination based on the accidental fact of race or color, and as such injurious to human rights regardless of personal qualities or achievements, cannot be reconciled with the truth that God has created all men with equal rights and equal dignity.

– *Discrimination and Christian Conscience, Nov. 14, 1958*

These efforts require the help – free from all spirit of paternalism or condescension – not only of organizations and institutions, but of each and every believer.

– *A Statement on the National Race Crisis, NCCB, 1968*

Racism is not merely one sin among many; it is a radical evil that divides the human family and denies the new creation of a redeemed world. To struggle against it demands an equally radical transformation, in our own minds and hearts as well as in the structure of our society.

Conversion is the ever-present task of each Christian.

– *Brothers and Sister to Us: U.S. Catholic Bishops Pastoral Letter on Racism, 1979*

All too often the Church in our country has been for many a “white Church,” a racist institution.

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[Racism] mocks the words of Jesus: “treat others the way you would have them treat you.”

Indeed, racism is more than a disregard for the words of Jesus; it is a denial of the truth of the dignity of each human being revealed by the mystery of the Incarnation.

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Christians must continue to strive to remove the blight of prejudice and discrimination from our national character is unquestionable. Each day's news headlines confirm that those who would turn back the clock of social progress are making significant strides. As federal and local governments continue to cut back programs that provide educational, economic, housing, and health care resources for the poor, especially households with dependent children, neighborhoods with large African American and Hispanic populations will be among the first to suffer. If our communities raise their voices together on behalf of those most in need, we may have a better chance of being heard.

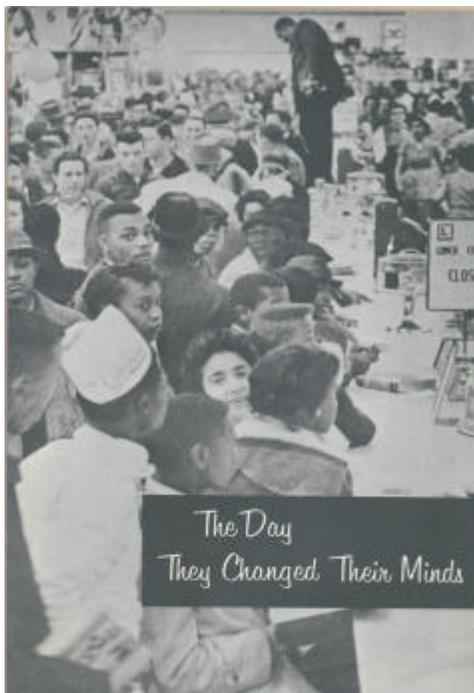
– *RECONCILED THROUGH CHRIST: On Reconciliation and Greater Collaboration Between Hispanic American Catholics and African American Catholics, February, 1997*

Racism can often be found in our hearts – in many cases placed there unwillingly or unknowingly by our upbringing and culture. As such, it can lead to thoughts and actions that we do not even see as racist, but nonetheless flow from the same prejudicial root. Consciously or subconsciously, this attitude of superiority can be seen in how certain groups of people are vilified, called criminals, or are perceived as being unable to contribute to society, even unworthy of its benefits. Racism can also be institutional, when practices or traditions are upheld that treat certain groups of people unjustly. The cumulative effects of personal sins of racism have led to social structures of injustice and violence that makes us all accomplices in racism.

– *Open Wide our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love, A Pastoral Letter on Racism, 2018*

Of course, racism will not end overnight. Still, we pledge these actions and hope that more actions will follow. We instruct our priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, lay leaders, our parish staffs, and all the faithful to endeavor to be missionary disciples carrying forth the message of fraternal charity and human dignity. We ask them to fight the evil of racism by educating themselves, reflecting on their personal thoughts and actions, listening to the experience of those who have been affected by racism, and by developing and supporting programs that help repair the damages caused by racial discrimination.

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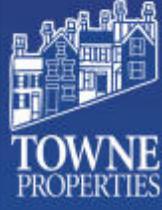
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