

Welcome to St. Paul Parish

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 - ♦ Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Every Tuesday,
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Parish Clergy

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Jason Bertke Deacon: Rev. Mr. Nicholas J. Schwartz Deacon: Rev. Mr. Thomas Kathman Deacon: Rev. Mr. Scott Folz

PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, March 28

Mass 8:15AM: LONA FRIEDMAN Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church

Tuesday, March 29

Mass 8:15AM: CARL GEORGE SCHUMMER
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church
Walking With Purpose 9:15AM—PC 171
Walking With Purpose 6:30PM—PC 171
RCIA 7PM—PC 173

Wednesday, March 30

Mass 8:15AM: JEFF KLEIMAN Communal Rosary 8:45AM- Church Children's Choir 6PM—Choir Loft Religious Education 7PM

Thursday, March 31

Mass 8:15AM: LORRAINE OVERLY AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF ROBERT OVERLY Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church Holy Hour 6PM—Church

Friday, April 1

Mass 8:15AM: HARRY COLLINS
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church
Exposition/Blessed Sacrament 9:15AM-12PM
Fish Fry 4:30-7:30PM—Carlin Center
Stations of the Cross 6PM—Church

Saturday, April 2

Mass 8:15AM: SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF MATT & KATIE BROWN
Confessions 3:30-4:30PM—Church
Mass 5PM: STEVE ELMLINGER

Sunday, April 3

Mass 9AM: FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH Adult Choir Practice 10AM—Choir Loft Mass 11AM: RITA RALEY

March 27, 2022 4th Sunday of Lent

Introductory Rites

During these initial ritual moments, the assembly becomes one in mind, heart, and voice in the worship of the Eternal Triune God.

The Procession and Entrance Hymn

The ministers, Deacon and Priest enter the church. The assembly turns and watches with expectancy as the Word of God enters. When the Deacon and Priest reach the sanctuary, they make a profound reverence toward the tabernacle out of respect and reverence for the sacramental presence of the Lord contained therein. Then, they approach the altar of sacrifice and kiss it, for it is a symbol of Christ himself.

Sign of the Cross

To make the sign of the cross, use your right hand and as the priest says "In the name of the Father," touch your fingertips to your forehead. Then as he says "and of the Son," touch your fingertips of your right hand to the middle of your chest near your heart. Lastly, as he says, "and of the Holy," touch your fingertips to your left shoulder and as he says "Spirit," to your right shoulder. In this manner, we mark ourselves with the sign of the cross upon which our Savior Jesus Christ saved us, we also become more consciously aware that we are in the presence of the Eternal Triune God.

Greeting

The priest greets those assembled using a greeting which echoes the greetings used in Jewish prayer and in the Pauline letters.

Penitential Act

To prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries of Jesus Christ and the salvation he gives us, we recall our sins and pray for God's forgiveness to be granted to each and all of us. At times, the litany "Lord have mercy" is prayed in the ancient Greek form "Kyrie, eleison," linking us to our ancestors in faith and reminding ourselves of the universality of God's mercy and of our faith.



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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with your Spirit.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (And striking their breast, they say) through my fault, through my most grievous fault; (then they continue) therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy) Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy)

Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy)

Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy). Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy). Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy). Let us pray. O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten towards the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A reading from the Book of Joshua

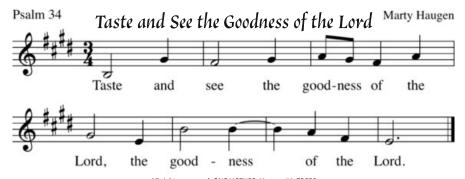
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Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you." While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover on the evening of the fourteenth of the month. On the day after the Passover, they ate of the produce of the land in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain. On that same day after the Passover, on which they ate of the produce of the land, the manna ceased. No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Brothers and sisters: Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)



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Collect

The priest says "Let us pray" and a brief silence is observed so that all may become more conscious of being in God's presence and allowing each one time to call to mind the intentions each has brought to this holy liturgy. Then, the priest gathering, as it were, all the intentions, offers the collect of the day.

Liturgy of the Word

This is the first of the two major parts of the Mass, Divine Liturgy or Eucharistic Liturgy. It is during this part of the celebration that the proclamation of the Word of God takes place. The readings for the Sunday Mass are structured in a three year cycle. Thus the vast majority of the entire Bible is proclaimed to the Sunday assembly every three years.

First Reading

The first reading normally comes from the Old Testament and is thematically paired to the Gospel proclaimed on the same day.

Responsorial Psalm

Having heard of God's deeds in the proclamation of the first reading, the assembly responds normally by singing one of the psalms.

Second Reading

The second reading comes from one of the epistles. These readings are read in a semi-continuous way. This means that a few versus of a given epistle is proclaimed and then stopped. The next Sunday the proclamation continues where the previous Sunday left off.

Gospel Acclamation

Through this acclamation, the assembly welcomes and greets the Lord who speaks to the assembly in the Gospel.

Gospel

The Gospel is announced. All take their thumb and trace the cross signing the forehead, mouth and heart, praying as they do so: "May the Word of the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart." This comes to us from a Jewish custom honoring the scriptures. A section of one of the Gospels is proclaimed and the assembly listens attentively to the voice of the Lord. Across the three year cycle of readings for Sunday Mass, Matthew, Mark or Luke's Gospel is highlighted. John is read in all three years.

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

And with your spirit. Glory to you, O Lord. Luke 15:1-3. 11-32

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the vounger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."" The Gospel of the Lord.

Homily

The Priest, or from time to time a Deacon, explains and expounds upon the mystery laid before the assembly this Sunday.

Profession of Faith

The assembly responds to the Word of God proclaimed with the ancient profession of faith to honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith. Normally the Nicene Creed is prayed which expresses the mysteries and rule of faith and comes from the Ecumenical Council at Nicea in 325 AD and the First Ecumenical Council at Constantinople in 381 AD.

The Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful or Bidding Prayers)

The faithful, exercising their baptismal priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation and benefit of all.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
(Please be seated)

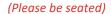
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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God 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 and (Bow) 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.

....We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.





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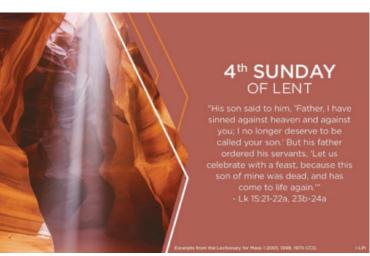
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Pray brethren (or other address of the assembly), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayer Over the Offerings



The Liturgy of the Eucharist

This is the second major part of the Mass. A collection is made for the support of the parish and its charitable works. This collection as well as the bread and wine to be offered are brought in procession to the altar. At the Last Supper, Christ instituted the Paschal Sacrifice and banquet, by which the Sacrifice of the Cross is continuously made present in the Church whenever the Priest, representing Christ the Lord, carries out what the Lord himself did and handed over to his disciples to be done in his memory. For Christ took the bread and the chalice, gave thanks, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat, this is my body and gave the chalice to his disciples saying: Take, drink, this is my blood. Do this in memory of me. Not a nostalgic remembrance but a dynamic living memorial in the power of God. Such, that, that which is remembered, becomes present to those who are celebrating the sacred mystery of salvation, who is Jesus Christ.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Now the center and high point of the entire celebration begins, the Eucharistic Prayer, the prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification. The Priest offers the prayer in the name of the whole community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit.



If you or someone you know is curious about becoming Catholic, St. Paul Parish would like to invite you to come explore your questions. Deacon Nick Schwartz is available to meet with you to discuss and answer any questions you might have about what Catholics are all about. It's very informal, and there is no obligation. You can contact Deacon Nick at (859) 371-8051 ext. 240 or nschwartz@stpaulnky.org.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

APRIL 2 AND 3

5:00 PM— June C. 9:00 AM – Rob L. 11:00 AM – Daune F.



PRE-BAPTISM MEETING

A Pre-Baptism Meeting is required for first child parents. They will be held individually via Zoom meeting at the convenience of the participants and the instructor. For more information and to schedule a meeting, contact Linda Fryman at 859-371-8051 or Ifryman@stpaulnky.org.

The Communion Rite

The faithful prepare themselves to receive the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. They do this using various prayers and by praying for the coming of the Kingdom in the words Jesus taught.

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And with your spirit.
We lift them up to the Lord.
It is right and just.

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth

are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he

who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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(Please kneel)



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,



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(Please stand)

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

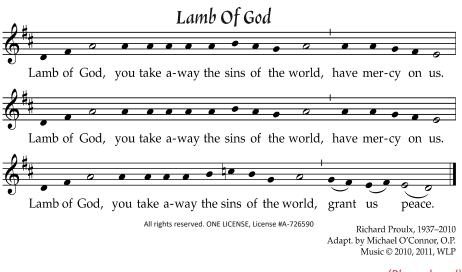
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.



(Please kneel)

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.





Reception of Holy Communion

Since the celebration of the Eucharist is the Paschal Banquet, it is desirable that in accordance with the Lord's command his Body and Blood should be received as spiritual food by those faithful who are properly disposed.



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SMARTBOARDS LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME

With the upgrade of CLEAR touch boards in all of our classrooms, we have the old SMART boards with projectors, speakers, pens and mounting brackets looking for new homes. If you know of an agency that could use working SMART boards, please contact the School Office at stpaul1@stpaulnky.org or by calling (859) 647-4070. No cost for the SMART boards, we are just requesting that someone pick up the quantity needed and that it is put to good use. We have fifteen available. First Come, First Serve.





Friday, April 1 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Church

Post Communion Prayer

Concluding Rites

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel Bishop Foys has recommended that we pray the Leonine prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the end of all Masses throughout the Diocese of Covington. "It is apparent that the smoke of Satan has entered the sanctuary," Bishop Foys said. "This prayer which has been prayed since 1886 to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness seems exceptionally appropriate at this time in the life of our beloved Church."

ERIC GENUIS IN CONCERT

St. Henry Catholic School PTO presents violinist, cellist, vocalist, and inspirational speaker Eric Genuis in concert on Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 PM at the Drees Home Auditorium at St. Henry District High School, 3755 Scheben Drive, Erlanger. For information, contact Robbie Tieman, rtieman@sthenrynky.com.



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(Please stand)

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendor of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Go in peace glorifying God by your life.

Thanks be to God.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.





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Immaculate Heart of Mary Health Ministry presents...



FREE Balance Classes for Seniors – 8 sessions Thursdays 12 till 2 pm starting April 7, 2022

IHM/St. Paul classes now being held at the Knights of Columbus Acree Hall

A Matter of Balance class details:

Cost: Free

When: Thursdays: 4/7,14, 21, 5/5, 12, 19, 26, and 6/2– must register to attend

Where: KofC Acree Hall, on the grounds of IHM parish, Burlington, KY, 5876

Veterans Way, Burlington, Ky 41005 (Thanks Knights!)

<u>Eligible:</u> Persons living in NKY who want to improve their balance

Format: Balance and stretching exercises along with group discussion.

Class size: 8 to 15 people

Requirements: Only come to class if healthy

<u>Registration or questions:</u> Contact Roger Bockweg of the IHM Health Ministry and MOB Master Trainer at 513-379-5315 or rbockweg@catholicforester.org

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<u>Holy Hour</u>

Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in the Church, come together for Holy Hour.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent at 6 p.m., bring your family to church and renew your understanding of the sacrifice of Jesus.

<u>Fish Fry</u>

Every Friday in Lent except Good Friday from 4:30 - 7:30 PM. Dine-in, Drive Thru or Order Online and Pick Up. See menu and online ordering details at:

https://stpaulnky.org/fish-fry/



PALM SUNDAY APRIL 10

April 9: Vigil Mass 5:00PM April 10: Mass 9:00AM & 11:00AM

HOLY THURSDAY

APRIL 14

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 15

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord: 3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross 6:00PM

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 16

Easter Vigil Mass: 9:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17

Easter Mass: 9:00AM and 11:00AM

FISH FRY—

ST. PAUL FISH FRY 4:30 - 7:30 EACH FRIDAY DURING LENT EXCEPT GOOD FRIDAY

See menu and online ordering details at: https://stpaulnky.org/fish-fry/ Dine-in, Drive Thru or Order Online and Pick Up.

Do you want to volunteer for the Fish Fry? We have spots open for our Thursday Prep and Friday Dining room. For volunteer sign-up, go to: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4fafac28a3f94-Thursday



Week 1 - March 4 Week 3 - March 18 Week 5 - April I:

Sweet Bourbon-Glazed Salmon - \$15 w/ New Potatoes & Oriental Sauteed Green Beans

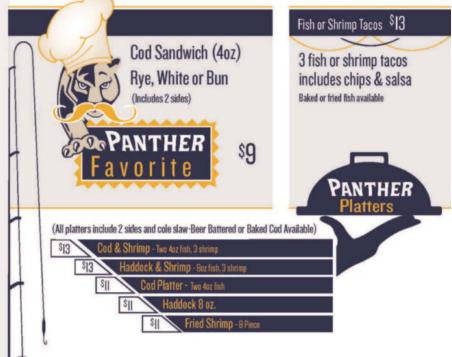
> Week 2 - March II Week 6 - April 8:

Cajun Barbecue Shrimp - \$13 w/Wild Rice Blend & Mixed Vegetables

Week 4 - March 25:

Shrimp in a Light Basil Sauce over Linguini - \$13

	Sic	les	
Onion Rings	\$3	Stewed Tomatoes	\$3
Mac and Cheese	\$3	Baked Potato	\$3
Green Beans	\$3	Hush Puppies	\$3
French Fries	\$3	Apple Sauce	\$1



A la Galle				
		\$6 Kids Combo's - (includes one side / ages II and under)		
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Fried Shrimp (5)	\$6	Cod sandwich -		
Cod Sandwich	86	(Rye, white bread or white bun)		
Crab Bisque	\$4	Fried Shrimp (3)		
Cheese Pizza	\$4	Cheese Pizza		
Grilled Cheese	\$3	Grilled Cheese		

Ala Carta

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

Our last time to pray before Planned Parenthood is Wednesday, March 30, 10:00 - 11:00. We invite all to join us in our peaceful witness before this facility and pray for its closing. We will carpool leaving St. Paul at 9:30 or you can meet us at Planned Parenthood at 2314 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati. Please continue to pray for the success of the 40 Days for Life campaign and the saving of babies' lives.

CREATIVE COMPASSION: A NIGHT OF ART FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

On Thursday, March 31 from 6pm-9pm St. Vincent de Paul – NKY will host Creative Compassion: A Night of Art for Our Neighbors in Need presented by Trivaco at the Drees Pavilion in Devou Park. Proceeds benefit our ministry of direct service (emergency financial assistance, food, and basic necessities) to those struggling to make ends meet. Admission is \$65/person and includes heavy appetizers provided by McHale's Catering and 2 bar tickets. Live auction includes artwork created by local artists using thrift store finds. Silent auction and thrift store boutique also available. Tickets available online at www.svdpnky.org home page. For more information, please contact Lou Settle at 859-446-7727 or lou.settle@svdpnky.org

ST. PAUL SCHOOL

CONGRATULATIONS TO Ms. SWIKERT ON HER RECENT AWARD!

Congratulations to Ms. Shannon Swikert, our Junior High Science teacher who has been awarded the Outstanding Women of Northern Kentucky Nancy Janes Boothe Scholarship given by the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. Thomas More University, Northern Kentucky University, and Gateway Community College each select one student from their institution for this award.

Ms. Swikert, who is pursuing her Rank I at Thomas More University, was nominated for this award by her faculty, Dr. Alissa Ayres and Dr. Kim Haverkos. She was selected based on her academic and other notable achievements along with personal characteristics of integrity, perseverance, and leadership. The award will be given at a luncheon held on May 17th.



THE INTERNATIONAL MISSION NEEDS COLLECTION: THIS WEEKEND

This week the International Mission Needs Collection will be conducted to help our suffering brothers and sisters throughout the world. Five Catholic agencies benefit from this Collection. More than 100 million lives around the world are touched through people like you that give to this Collection. These agencies provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees and promotes Christ's love and respect to all people. Your donation helps to train catechists in parishes, provides access to bible study groups, and funds workshops and seminars made available to parishioners so they can live their faith amid challenging circumstances. The donations help with pastoral care, help build structures where the faithful can worship and also help to preserve holy places where Jesus walked and taught thousands of people. Your support helps missions throughout the world and gives hope to Jesus in Disquise.

St. Paul - SPR flower

Deadline to Order: Wednesday, April 20 https://spsflowersale.com/

St. Paul School is hosting its 5th Annual Spring Flower Sale on Saturday, April 30 beginning at 7 a.m. All orders **must** be placed by Wednesday, April 20. Orders over \$250 qualify for FREE delivery in Boone and Kenton County. Place your order TODAY at https://spsflowersale.com/! Due to the current supply issues, some products may be limited this year. Thank you for your continued support!

DEACON AJ GEDNEY'S CHALICE FUND

A huge THANK YOU for your donation to Deacon AJ's fund. With the money collected, which exceeded the request, we will be able to help him with the purchase and restoration of his chalice. The extra amount will be given to Deacon AJ to help with some of his other expenses. What a wonderful gift, we as a parish and school, have been able to give Deacon AJ as he begins his ministry into the priesthood. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to prepare for his Ordination on Friday, June 3. Remember Fr. AJ Gedney's first Mass will be at St. Paul on Saturday, June 4th at 5:00 p.m. Please also keep Michael Elmlinger in your prayers as he prepares for his Ordination into the Diaconate on Saturday, April 9, which is his final step before being ordained into the priesthood next year. GOD BLESS!

WHY I LOVE ST. PAUL!

"This school has taught many things about the Catholic faith and how to draw closer to God; as a result, I feel like I am truly prepared to move on to High School without being lost. I don't think there is any other school that can truly compare to the atmosphere here at St. Paul."

- Mark, 8th Grade Student





MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Friday – June 10 – Swan Saturday – June 11 – Karate Girls Sunday- June 12 – Marty Connor Band

Plan on joining us for a fun-filled weekend with awesome bands each day! We are welcoming new committee members and would love to have anyone interested join our team. If you would like to help in any way, please email festival@stpaulnky.org.

GIFT CARDS NEEDED FOR PRIZES AT THE FESTIVAL

The Festival Committee is in need of gift cards to be used as prizes in the Gift Card Booth: \$25.00 gift cards for restaurants, gas, hardware stores, grocery stores, department stores, etc. The more variety we have to offer the winners the better. Please drop the gift cards off at the Parish Office or place them in the collection basket marked – Festival Gift Card Booth. If you have any questions, contact June Cahill—859-630-1679.

*** GOODBYE SILENT AUCTION ***

It is with regret that I have decided that this year will be my last year to Chair the Silent Auction. With that in mind, I am looking for someone who would be willing to take it over. I am offering to allow that person to shadow me to see how I handle contacting companies for donations. How they come into the Auction and how I use them to create the wonderful baskets that we have to auction. Please contact me, Judy Kidwell, at 859-393-5601 or j54kidwell@hotmail.com.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Do you know someone in your family or a friend who has left the Catholic faith? Do you know why they left? Would you be willing to ask them a few questions about it? The current Synod project is trying to reach all baptized Catholics and give them an opportunity to express their experiences. The goal is to

journey together, listen and build up one another; to love our neighbors as Christ taught us. Please pray about this, and if you would like to share info from your conversations, please go to www.covdio.org/synod and click on the "Share Insights" button. The deadline is March 31, 2022. Thank you for your help! Sincerely, David Cooley, Co-Director, Catechesis and Evangelization; Lead, Diocesan Synod Team.

HCHS MULCH & PINE STRAW SALE

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DPAA 2021 Goal		\$86,900.00



Pope Francis has invited the worldwide Church to participate in preparing for the next meeting of the Synod of Bishops in October 2023.

The topic? SYNODALITY

What is the Diocesan Pre-Synodal Assembly?

The consultation process in the Diocese of Covington will culminate in a Pre-Synodal Assembly ("pre-synodal" meaning before the Synod of Bishops in 2023). This gathering will include the coordinators of the consultation from the parishes and institutions of the diocese as well as other guests. It will provide the opportunity to come together for prayer and reflection about the process. Participants will listen to feedback that has emerged from the listening sessions across the diocese, dialogue about the current reality of the local Church and discern the Holy Spirit's call for the diocese on the path of synodality.

When will the Pre-Synodal Assembly take place?

The Diocesan Pre-Synodal Assembly will take place on Saturday, March 26, 2022. All those involved in coordinating the consultation at the parish and institution levels will be invited to participate in addition to the clergy of the diocese.

Look for more information on the Synod Consultation in the diocesan *Messenger*, in parish communications, on social media, and on the diocesan website, www.covdio.org/synod.





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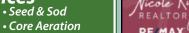
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