

# ST. HENRY CLUSTER



St. Aloysius Carthagena



St. Bernard Burkettsville



St. Francis Cranberry



St. Henry St. Henry



St. Wendelin Wendelin

## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

†

January 24, 2021

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Precious Blood since 1845

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#### **Cluster Staff**

Erin Elking, Director of Parish Life Sue Nietfeld, Business Manager Amy Brunswick, Bulletin Editor Karen Heath, Coordinator of Music Ministry Rachel Niekamp, Religious Education Miranda Schwieterman, Youth Minister

#### **Parish Life Coordinators**

Sarah Franck - St. Aloysius Marvin Broering - St. Bernard Mary Schmitmeyer - St. Francis Carmen Beyke - St. Henry Karen Post - St. Wendelin

#### **Mass Schedule**

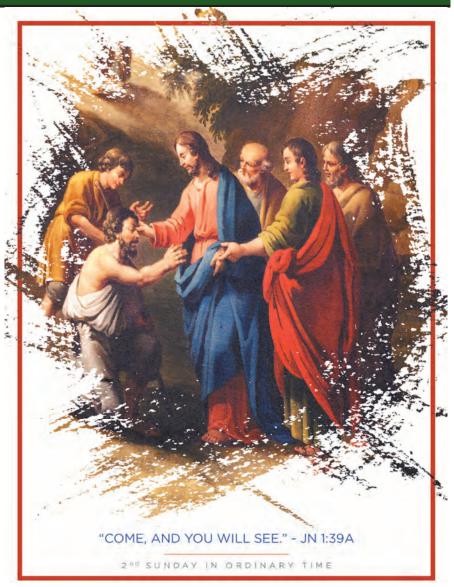
Weekdays at St. Henry\*

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| Monday thru Thursday        | 7:30 a.m.  |
| Friday                      | 7:15 a.m.  |
| Saturday Masses             |            |
| St. Henry*                  |            |
| St. Bernard                 | 7:30 p.m.  |
| Sunday Masses               |            |
| St. Wendelin                | 7:30 a.m.  |
| St. Aloysius                |            |
| St. Henry *                 | 9:00 a.m.  |
| St. Bernard                 | 9:30 a.m.  |
| St. Francis                 | 10:30 a.m. |
| St. Henry *                 | 11:00 a.m. |
| St. Aloysius (Spanish Mass) | 11:00 a.m. |
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\*Livestreamed on Facebook, YouTube, & Cluster Website







#### **Cluster Address**

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#### 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.

#### St. Henry Cluster

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#### **Bulletin Deadline**

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

#### Address, Phone & Email changes

Please contact your Parish Life Coordinator or the Cluster Office at 419-678-4118 if your address, phone numbers or email has changed so we can keep our records up to date. Thank you!

## GIVE ONLINE

Thank you for your generosity

**GIVE ONLINE:** To simplify donating during this time, we're now able to offer you to donate online. On our website, sthenrycluster.com/online-giving/, frequently asked questions are addressed along with further instruction.



#### **Baptisms**

All baptisms are at  $1:00\,$  p.m. the following Sunday's of each month:

1st - St. Aloysius & St. Henry

2nd - St. Bernard

3rd - St. Henry

4th - St. Francis & St. Wendelin

Call the Cluster office in advance to schedule baptism, baptism preparation class is required, and is held every *3 months*. Our next BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS will be held Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:30 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

To schedule a date or for more information contact the Cluster Office. The Saint Henry Cluster requires at least 6 months before the date to begin the wedding process. An initial meeting is required before a date will be scheduled at the church for your wedding.

**Weddings outside our Cluster Parishes:** If you are getting married in a parish outside of our cluster and would like to have your Banns published in the bulletin contact the cluster office (419 -678-4118) at least 4 weeks prior to the wedding.

#### Confirmation

*Confirmation 2021* will be on February 7, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Bernard Parish with Archbishop Dennis Schnurr.

#### First Communion

**April 18, 2021** - St. Bernard 9:30 a.m. & St. Francis - 10:30 a.m. **April 25, 2021** - St. Wendelin 7:30 a.m., St. Aloysius 8:00 a.m. & St. Henry 11:00 a.m.

#### Anointing of the Sick | Hospital Notification

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.

#### Reconciliation/Confessions

- Tuesday & Thursday after Morning Mass, otherwise by request
- Thursday before 1st Friday 3:00 p.m. St. Henry
- Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at St. Henry

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Navy: ENS Zachary Miller (SB)

National Guard: PV2 Timothy Burrows (Army) (SH); SSgt Austin Clune (Air) (SH) Sergeant Klint Hemmelgarn (SH); Major Matthew Lauber (SA); Sgt. Cory Mescher (SH); Sgt. Christina Moore (SH); PV2 Jake Schlarman (Army) (SH)



#### **Mass Intentions** Monday, January 25 7:30 a.m. St. Henry......Faithful Departed Tuesday, January 26 Wednesday, January 27 Thursday, January 28 7:30 a.m. St. Henry......Mary Alice Ahrns Friday, January 29 7:15 a.m. St. Henry......Faithful Departed Saturday, January 30 4:30 p.m. St. Henry ...... Art & Esther Everman, Wayne Fullenkamp, Dennis Everman, Dennis Broeker, Ralph Bruns 7:30 p.m. St. Bernard ......For the People Sunday, January 31 7:30 a.m. St. Wendelin .....Loretta Heuker, Virgil Post 8:00 a.m. St. Aloysius......Roger Klenke 9:00 a.m. St. Henry.....L/D St. Henry Fire Department 9:30 a.m. St. Bernard.....L/D Harold & Mary Gelhaus Family, Jack Riegle 10:30 a.m. St. Francis......Faithful Departed 11:00 a.m. St. Henry ...... David Heitkamp 11:00 a.m. St. Aloysius (Spanish Mass)......Faithful Departed

#### Adoration Schedule | Bad Weather | Funeral Mass

ADORATION HOURS: 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:

Monday at St. Aloysius, 9 am to 9 pm | Kristie Evers 567-242-8202 Tuesday at St. Bernard, 9 am to 11 pm | Sandy Post 419-375-1431 Wednesday at St. Francis, 8 am to 11 pm | Sharon Rindler 419-925-5207 Thursday at St. Henry, 8 am to 9 pm | Peg Fullenkamp 419-678-8061 Friday at St. Wendelin, 9 am to 6 pm | Diana Koesters 419-852-2242 1st Friday Family Holy Hour at St. Francis, 5 pm to 6pm

- When St. Henry School is delayed/closed due to weather SCHEDULED DAILY MORNING MASS, Adoration & Communion to the homebound are cancelled. When school is closed due to weather ALL church events that involve children/youth will be cancelled.
- **FUNERAL MASS**: Morning Mass is held at 7:30am (except Friday) even when there is a Funeral Mass in the Cluster that day. Adoration is cancelled only at the parish where the Funeral Mass is held.



#### St. Francis

| Attendance         | 163        |
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| Sunday Offering    | . \$655.00 |
| Candles            | \$50.00    |
| CCD Tuition        |            |
| Miscellaneous      |            |
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#### **St. Henry** (Weekly goal - \$9,260.00)

| Attendance 221 (4:30pm) 280 (9am)       | 1  | 66 (11am) |
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| Sunday Offering                         | \$ | 5,642.00  |
| (106 env.: \$5,812.00; loose: \$460.00) |    |           |
| Christmas Offering                      | \$ | 5,095.00  |
| New Years Offering                      |    | \$85.00   |
| CCD Tuition                             |    |           |
| Haiti                                   |    |           |
| Stipend                                 |    |           |
| Cemetery Fund                           |    | \$250.00  |
| Candles                                 |    |           |
| candles                                 |    | \$86.25   |
| Religious Ed. Program                   |    | \$754.00  |
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#### St. Wendelin

| Attendance                           | 98                                      |
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| Sunday Offering                      | \$606.00                                |
| (16 env.: \$486.00; loose: \$120.00) | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| Candles                              | \$50.00                                 |
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Families will be receiving a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr in the coming week or so. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card and envelope to Mass. For more information or to donate online, please visit www.AOCstewardship.org. Thank you!

Each Parish Goal is as follows:

St. Aloysius - \$2,560.00 St. Bernard - \$6,520.00 St. Francis - \$2,957.00

St Henry - \$21,895.00 St. Wendelin - \$2,607.00



Ronda Broerman December 24 Gary Hemmerich December 27

St. Henry

#### January 31th - 4th Ordinary Time

Reading I: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 (A Prophet Like Moses)

**Reading II:** 1 Corinthians 7: 32-35 (The State of Virginity)

> **Gospel:** Mark 1: 21-28 (Cure of a Demoniac)



# Pastor's Page

"The Kingdom of God is at hand, repent and believe in the Gospel".

How are we to understand "kingdom" today as Christians, living in what we call democracies, where we have a president and governors? We tend to reject kings and queens, dukes and duchesses. But, if we are Christians, we cannot reject the words of Jesus when he teaches in terms of the Kingdom of God. Should we speak of the presidency of God being at hand? Should we speak of the government of God being at hand?

I think the answer lies in observing how the evangelist Mark, whose version of the Gospel we are using this year, presents Jesus as an authority, whether we want to call him king or president or governor. Without a doubt he is an authority, or, we should say, he is THE authority.

Jesus is God incarnate

He is co creator with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Under his guiding hand our universe functions: planet earth turning on it's axes every 24 hours giving us daylight and darkness, planet earth tilts to the north and then to the south, giving us our 4 seasons, and it possesses a favorable atmosphere that results in fertile soil and a vast variety of plant and animal life almost beyond our imagination. Our own persons are a marvel of talents, skin colors and personalities. What a marvel, and this vast creation all comes through his authority. The book of Genesis states: "God looked at everything he had made and he

found it very good". Today with the help of science, we would say God did it all through a process of evolution and not in a 24 hour period, but we would still repeat: "He found it very good" and He still finds it very good today. He is a generous and wise authority, who doesn't do it for himself, making himself rich, sitting on a throne with slaves all around him, but he does it for us, his family.

During his earthly life Jesus lived among all he had created as another human being, in a family where there was understanding and mutual responsibility.

Once had had begun his public life, he was always acting as a team with his Father and the Holy Spirit, After helping someone in need with a miracle, he went off, not to be alone with himself but with his Father. In his teaching, he didn't go alone, but with the apostles and sent out a group of 72, in pairs, to announce the kingdom of God. He was not at the service only of his relatives and friends, but also of other with whom he came in contact, of social rank like a temple authority (Mk. 5, 22) and of a humble woman (Mk.7,24).

He said to Simon and Andrew "Come after me" and He says to you and me today "Come after me". He says to us: exercise authority as I have done, in the different professions that we practice: as husbands and wives, as parents, as priests and responsible single persons. In teaching, agriculture, commerce, and the many other professions we feel called to. Are we exercising authority well as

God does in Jesus? Pope Francis in his encyclical Brothers and Sisters All, indicates that we follow Jesus by having a heart open to the whole world (FT128).

"Never has it been more evident than in our own day, that the world is interconnected by globalization in the political and economic order" (FT138). "Life without fraternal generosity becomes a form of frenetic commerce, in which we weigh what we give and what we get back". "On the other hand, God (the King) gives freely..." "We received life freely, we paid nothing for it". "Consequently, all of us are able to give without expecting anything in return... "(FT140). "We need to have a global outlook to save us from petty provincialism" (FT142) "accompanied by a process of education that promotes the value of one's love for his neighbor" (FT151).

The Kingdom of God, the presidency of God, the authority of God has the possibility of becoming a world reality like never before in history. And you and I, as followers of Jesus, are part of bringing it about.

Fr. Santiago Gaynor

# Sunday Readings

### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 24, 2021

#### First Reading Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you." So Jonah made ready and went to Nineveh, according to the LORD'S bidding. Now Nineveh was an enormously large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed, "when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out.

#### **Responsorial Psalm** 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

**R.** Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior. **R.**/

Remember that your compassion, O LORD and your love are from of old. In your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD. **R.**/

Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice and teaches the humble his way. **R./** 

#### **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out. From now on, let those having wives act as not having them, those weeping as not weeping, those rejoicing as not rejoicing, those buying as not owning, those using the world as not using it fully. For the world in its present form is passing away.

#### **Gospel** Mark 1: 14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.



For daily readings, please visit: usccb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm



## Cluster

#### **Decree on Child Protection/VIRTUS Session Dates:**

The required monthly bulletins are posted on the first Sunday of each calendar month. If you are a volunteer that works with youth or an employee in the St. Henry Cluster and have not yet attended a **VIRTUS CLASS** here is an opportunity:

• March 29 - Sacred Heart, McCartyville - 6:30 p.m. Any questions or problems call the cluster office at 419-678-4118. More details on how to register for a session go to our cluster website.

**LIVE STREAM ROSARY:** St. Henry Church has Live Stream Rosary Monday thru Thursday at 7:00 p.m. each week. All are welcome to join.

**ADORERS NEEDED: St. Bernard** is in need of an Adorer at 2:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. On Tuesdays; contact Sandy Post 419-375-1431.

The **CLUSTER EVENING FOR MARRIED COUPLES** will not take place this coming February 2021 due to COVID-19. We look forward to hosting the next event in early 2022 and hope to see you then!

**SPANISH MASS** every Sunday at 11.;00 a.m. at St. Aloysius. All are invited. Special invite to those studying Spanish. A great way to learn the language.

The NATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE hosted by the USCCB at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in conjunction with the annual March for Life will not be open to the public this year due to Covid. However, the rosary and Mass will be televised and bishops across the country will be taking turns leading live-streamed holy hours every hour throughout the all-night vigil. The live television broadcasts on January 28 from 8:00-11:00 PM and on January 29 from 8:00-9:00 AM will be provided by EWTN and via live-stream at www.nationalshrine.org For info on overnight bishop-led holy hours www.usccb.org



## St. Henry Cluster Mission Group Helping others locally & globally

A **TRIP TO HAITI** is being planned for March. Dates are not set yet. Hoping to get a few people from St. Henry to join us and meet our new pastor In our sister parish. Call 419-305-8510 if interested or in need of more information.

A **GREAT NEED** right now in our St. Henry Clinic (the one Al Homan started) is **FOR MEDICATIONS AND BANDAGES OF ALL KINDS**. If you would be willing to help us to fill those shelves again, please also let me know. THANK YOU When I was there in November, the entire supply they had would fit in a shoe box.



## St. Aloysius

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**PORTERS** Deb Kremer Jan. 25 - Jan. 31

Dale Pottkotter Feb. 1 - Feb. 7

**ROSARY** Doug & Sarah Jansen Jan. 31

**FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING COMMITTEE**: Sharon Ranly, Elaine and Rosie Brown

The Cluster is planning a **NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** for next year and we are looking for volunteers to head up a committee. Pictures will begin in the fall. Contact Sarah Franck if you are interested in volunteering.

If any parishioners has had **ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS, EMAIL OR PHONE NUMBER,** please contact Sarah Franck by staloysiuscarthagena@gmail.com so we can update our records,

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE WINTER SNOW REMOVAL** on the Church's front steps, ramp, and the sidewalk to the restrooms. The parking lot and circle drive will be hired out. Please sign up in the back of church. Any questions, please call Gregg Homan at 419-953-1215.



#### St. Bernard

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#### **Basement Rental**

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

**ADORERS NEEDED:** We are in need of an Adorer at 2:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. contact Sandy Post 419-375-1431.

**CCD TUITION RATES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR** are as follows: **St. Bernard Program** - \$100 per student with a maximum amount of \$425. **St. Henry Program** - Kindergarten - \$90, Grades  $1^{\rm st}$  -  $8^{\rm th}$  - \$125, Grades  $9^{\rm th}$  -  $12^{\rm th}$  - \$100, with a maximum amount of \$425 per family. The tuition can be paid in installments throughout the school year or one lump sum; please mark your envelopes for CCD tuition or use your envelope in your box.



#### St. Francis

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| Beck Everman419-925-4322                          |
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#### **ROSARY** Ron & Sharon Rindler

If you have donated a **POINSETTIA** in memory of a loved one, you may take one home.

**CASSEROLES FOR C.A.L.L. FOOD PANTRY** a great way to feed the hungry for anyone that is interested! On January  $17^{th}$  there will be recipes in the back of church. You will need to supply your own aluminum pans. These pans need to be turned back in on February  $21^{st}$  between 1:00-2:00 at the church parking lot for delivery on the  $22^{nd}$ . Someone will be at the parking lot to take your casserole. Please make the recipes, do not bake. Freeze with the recipe on top of the cover. Thanks so much for your participation!!!

**2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are available in the church entrance in the container. Please pick up your family's envelope.

Copies of the **PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES** are available by the bulletins, if you did not receive one via email.

A big **THANK YOU** to the ladies from the parish that helped clean at the rectory.

**ATTENTION:** If any parishioner has any changes to their address, email address or phone number, please contact Mary Schmitmeyer, so we can update our records.





## St. Henry

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**CONTRIBUTION RECORDS** for the 2020 tax year have been sent out to all parishioners that requested them in the past several years. If you did not receive one and would like one, email Carmen Beyke at cbjbeyke@aol.com or call the cluster office.

**CCD TUITION RATES** for the 2020-2021 school year are as follows: Kindergarten - \$90, Grades 1-8 - \$125, Grades 9-12-\$100, with a maximum amount of \$425 for the family. Invoices were mailed out this week. Payments can be made in one lump sum or installments. Thank you for your support.



#### St. Wendelin

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**NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULES** for February through early June were mailed out this past week. Extra copies are available in the entrance of church.

We welcome all to come and participate in our **SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE** which includes reciting the **PATRIOTIC ROSARY**. It begins at 6 p.m.

Teach me your ways

(Psalm 25)



**COUPLES LENTEN STUDY:** Join us for a journey, strengthening your marriage as we grow together by learning: **BETTER TOGETHER.** Intro meeting is Sunday, Feb 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. Meeting will be on Sunday afternoons during Lent. Contact Scott/Shelly Hartings at 419-852-9235 for signing up or info.

**GRIEFSHARE:** Griefshare is for those who are grieving the loss of someone close. Marion Catholic Community will be holding a 13 week GriefShare sessions every Tuesday starting January 5, 2021 thru March 30, 2021 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30



p.m. at Precious Blood Church Basement. To register or need more information, call Herb Wilker at 419-953-5398 or email hiwilker@mercy.com

**RADIO ROSARY:** Tune in to the Radio Rosary every Sunday at 9:30 am on WCSM (96.7 FM). This weekly rosary is sponsored by individuals and various church related groups.

FT. LORAMIE MEN'S CONFERENCE: The 2021 Ft. Loramie Men's conference is set for *Saturday March 6th*, 8:00a – 3:30p, at Romer's in St. Henry. This is a great day for all men, from high school age to 100. Please come enjoy the day and expand the growth of your faith. The theme this year is "Building on Faith". Tickets are available for \$25 each. This includes 2 meals, books & materials. Returning keynote speaker: Fr. Nathan Cromley. Please pre buy tickets as with the COVID-19 restrictions we will only be allowed 350 seated. Tickets can be purchased on-line at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/FLMensConference/">https://www.facebook.com/FLMensConference/</a>

LAY CATHOLIC STUDIES COMING TO ST. MARY'S DEANERY AUGUST, 2021! The Athenaeum of Ohio/Mount St. Mary's School of Theology will be opening a two year satellite location at St. Mary's Deanery Training Center on US 127 beginning in the Fall Semester, 2021 and continuing through Spring Semester, 2023. This two year option offers outstanding academic courses in scripture, theology and pastoral studies taught at the undergraduate equivalency level along with transformative formation designed to help you grow in faith, spirituality and pastoral skills. Saturday morning and afternoon classes fit into busy adult schedules, allowing participants to maintain job, family and community commitments while answering a call to deeper discipleship. Classes count for catechist certification and prepare men to apply for permanent diaconate formation. The application process begins with a personal interview, available via phone zoom. Call 513-233-6127 or email smcgurgan@athenaeum.edu for more information or to schedule an interview.





#### **Youth News**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- JANUARY 15-17: CYSC Winter Camp (Catholic Youth Summer Camp) Middle School: CYSC has a short, winter camp available for you at Damascus. Let Miranda know if you're interested in registering 567-279-4541; or, go to damascus.net/programs/wintercamp.
- JANUARY 21: Ladies' Night! All ladies, grades 5-12, are invited to join in for a ladies night @ 7pm in the SH Church Basement! Adult women from our community will be joining. We'll have a short talk from Sammi Schulze, good food, cards & crafts. Grab a friend, stop in, and check it out! What have you got to lose?
- JANUARY 22-24: CYSC Winter Camp (Catholic Youth Summer Camp) High School: Registration is full!
- JANUARY 29: March for Life: In lieu of going to the March in DC this year, we'll be spending some time at Breakfast Club diving deeper into what it means to be pro-life and how we can do this in our every day lives. In February, we'll take a service trip to Rustic Hope where Connie will share with us about her mission & give us the opportunity to serve too! Rustic Hope is an organization that offers free support to single mothers before, during, and after pregnancy. More info on her website rustichope.org.

#### **TEAM ENCOUNTER SMALL GROUPS**

 We have small groups for students grades 5-12. Students will meet with adult mentors/guides every other week at the cluster office to dig deeper into their faith, encounter Christ, and build lasting friendships in our faith.

Women Grades 5-6: Meet - Feb. 9; 3-5pm @ Cluster Office

**Women Grades 7-10:** Meet Jan. 27; Feb. 10, 24; 6pm @ Cluster Office

**Women Grades 11-12:** Meet Jan. 27; Feb. 10, 24; 8pm @ Cluster Office

**Men Grades 5-6:** Meet Feb. 16; 3-5pm @ Cluster Office

Men Grades 7-12: Meet Jan. 20; Feb. 3, 17; 6pm @ Cluster Office

**BREAKFAST CLUB** will be held Friday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the St. Henry Church basement. Bring a friend and enjoy some donuts!

January 22 February 19 January 29 February 26 February 5

**UPCOMING DATES TO KNOW!** Contact Miranda if you're interested in attending!

- Encounter Christ Night for High School: February 28, 2021, 6:30-8:30pm (free, must register ahead of time) @ St. Augustine in Minster. Let Miranda know if you'd like to go!
- *Life in the Spirit Seminar 2021* (grades 8 and up): March 19-21, 2021 Registration is open!
- CYSC 2021 Summer Dates for Middle & High School students: June 6-11; June 13-18; June 20-25; June 27-July 2; July 4-9; July 11-16; July 18-23; July 25-30; August 1-6 (middle school only). Registration is limited-contact Miranda to get registered!



**WENDELIN SPORTS CLUB** will be serving **CARRY-OUT BBQ CHICKEN DINNERS** on Sunday, January 24th, from 4 to 6 P.M. Cost is \$8.00 per dinner. Call 419-375-4562 to reserve your dinner. This is Pre-sale only.

2021 MERCER COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE ORATORY CONTEST FOR IUNIORS AND SENIORS: Mercer County RTL will facilitate their annual Oratory Contest; all juniors and seniors in Mercer County are eligible. Contestants are to research, write, and present an original pro-life speech on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, or stem cell research that is 5-7 minutes in length. Contestants are asked to submit a video entry of their speech by March 3<sup>rd</sup> to <u>prolifegeneration.mercercounty@outlook.com</u>. All contestants who submit a video entry will receive a \$100 participation prize! The top 6 contestants will be invited to present on March 14th, 1:00, at the Preferred Insurance Center in Coldwater. The prize amounts for the top 6 finalists who present on March 14th are as follows: 1st place: \$1,000, 2nd place: \$750, 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$500, 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> place: \$250. We ask that that all interested contestants e-mail janellepoeppelman@hotmail.com for further details.

ST. HENRY PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: The process for registering your child for the St. Henry Preschool Program & Kindergarten will be done differently this year. Here is the link for more information on how to register. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rva70IZuh08AwthhVX4j8KvPJjggAoNbmzwtUdtcOt8/edit? usp=sharing. If you have any questions, please contact the Elementary Office at 419-678-4834 x2401.

**2021 ST. HENRY COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES WILL BE APRIL 8, 9, & 10.** \$10.00 advertising fee to be included on the Map. Proceeds to benefit the Missions. *Ads need to be received by March 25.* Email to shgaragesales@gmail.com or mail to and send \$10.00 payment to Kristy Schulze at 222 S Sycamore Street with the address of sale attached. Any questions call Kristy 419-678-8616 or email. Flamingos will also be out again this year to help spot the sales. Thanks to the St. Henry Track & Field Team and Preferred Insurance. Maps will be available 1 week before sales.



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There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man.

I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy.

But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine.

Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts."

"You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS From Lpi

## **Cluster Ministry Schedule**

#### Week of January 25-29

|                         | Monday<br>7:30 a.m SH             | Tuesday<br>7:30 a.m SH        | Wednesday<br>7:30 a.m SH  | Thursday<br>7:30 a.m SH                 | Friday<br>7:15 a.m SH |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Priest Fr. Santiago     |                                   | Fr. Santiago                  | Fr. Santiago              | Fr. Santiago                            | Fr. Santiago          |
| Sacristan               | Dan Schmiesin                     | Bob Schmitz                   | Mary Schmitmeyer          | NF*                                     | NF*                   |
| Servers                 | Dylon Lefeld                      | Michael Gonzalez              | Eric Buschur              | Nate Buschur                            | John Guggenbiller     |
| Lectors                 | Mary Jane Homan                   | NF*                           | Eric Buschur              | Linda Thieman                           | Dorothy Guggenbiller  |
| Rosary - 7pm (all @ SH) | Anne Holdheide<br>Lois Pottkotter | Esther Beyke<br>Eric Koesters | Bob & Mary<br>Schmitmeyer | Don & Mary Miller<br>Nathan Helmstetter | _                     |

NF\* - Not Filled

|           | 4:30 p.m.<br>SH | 7:30 p.m.<br>SB |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Priest    | Fr. Alfons      | Fr. Santiago    |
| Deacon    |                 |                 |
| Sacristan | Howard Stammen  | Scott Siefring  |

Saturday, January 30

Iosh Rindler Jayna Kaiser Servers Zach Rindler Rylee Rauh

Lectors Eugene Hoening Randy Schmit Kate Fullenkamp E/M Scott Siefring **Bob Schmitz** 

Cindy Kaup

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Dan Langenkamp Jerry Vogel



| Sunday, January 31 |                                 |                                  |   |                                    |  |   |  |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
|                    | 7:30 a.m.<br>SW                 | 8:00 a.m.<br>SA                  | 9:00 a.m.<br>SH                           | 9:30 a.m.<br>SB                    | 10:30 a.m.<br>SF                       | 11:00 a.m.<br>SH                                  |  |
| Priest             | Fr. Santiago                    | Fr. Alfons                       | Fr. Santiago                              | Fr. Alfons                         | Fr. Jim Franck                         | Fr. Alfons  |  |
| Deacon             |                                 |                                  | Randy Balster                             | Gregg Elking                       |  | Jerry Buschur                                     |  |
| Sacristan          |                                 | Dan Schmiesing                   | Paul Hemmelgarn                           | Ron Thieman                        | Steve Schmitmeyer                      | Brad Beyke  |  |
| Servers            | Libby Koesters<br>Abby Koesters | Kaylee Franck<br>Dan Franck      | Ethan Muhlenkamp<br>Mara Muhlenkamp       | Leah Heitkamp<br>Garrett Stammen   | Abby Broering<br>Drew Langenkamp       | Lauren Beyke<br>Tyler Schwieterman                |  |
| Lectors            | Dave Meier                      | Maria Homan                      | Jean Stachler<br>Paul Hemmelgarn          | Sarah Niekamp                      | Kara Buschur<br>Sandy Broering         | Bill Gast<br>Craig Buschur                        |  |
| E/M                | Kris Meier                      | Gregg Homan<br>Sandy Franzer     | Sandy Borger<br>Sherri Ranly              | Eileen Siefring<br>Shelly Siefring | Steve Schmitmeyer<br>Grace Schmitmeyer | Janice Buschur<br>Jodi Hess                       |  |
| Ushers             | Virgil Tobe<br>Jim Rosenbeck    | Bill Franzer<br>Mitchell Franzer | James Bowers<br>Greg Clune<br>Charlie May | Caleb Siefring<br>Seth Siefing     | Dave Langenkamp<br>Jeff Broering       | Nick Gast<br>Ted Kleinhenz<br>Nathan Schwieterman |  |

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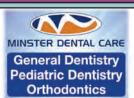
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