

YOU SAY THAT **I AM?**

— MARK 8:29 —

September 15, 2024



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Our Vision

“We, the members of the Holy Spirit Family of Parishes, will foster discipleship by making the Eucharist the center of our lives as we form, live, and share our faith.”

Our Lady of Grace Parish (OLOG)



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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sat., September 14, 2024 *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

4:30 p.m. at CC
4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., September 15, 2024 *24th Sunday of Ordinary Time*

8:30 a.m. at St. A David Emrick +
9:00 a.m. at OLOM
10:30 a.m. at St. B
11:00 a.m. at QM Chester Phillips +

Mon., September 16 2024 *(No Mass or Communion Service)*
Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Tues., September 17, 2024 *St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

8:30 a.m. at CC

Wed., September 18, 2024

8:30 a.m. at OLOM

Thurs., September 19, 2024 *St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr*

8:30 a.m. at QM

Fri., September 20, 2024 *(No Mass or Communion Service)*
Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Sat., September 21, 2024 *St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*

4:30 p.m. at CC Mary DeWinter +
4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., September 22, 2024 *25th Sunday of Ordinary Time*

8:30 a.m. at St. A
9:00 a.m. at OLOM
10:30 a.m. at St. B
11:00 a.m. at QM Elizabeth Arnold +

Saturday, September 21, 2024 4:30 p.m at CC

Presider:
Lector: Vince Sacksteder
Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Gill / Detsy Sacksteder
Server:

Saturday, September 21, 2024 4:00 p.m. at St. B

Note: New time Change

Presider:
Lectors/Readers:
Petitions: **Eucharistic Ministers:**
Sunday, September 22, 2024 8:30 a.m. at St. A
Presider:
Lectors: Joanne Vincent
Eucharistic Ministers: Joan Cameron , Fran Delegato, Susie Stewart, Toni Rogers

Server: Sam Mersch

Sunday, September 22, 2024 9:00 a.m. at OLOM

Presider:
Lectors: ?
Eucharistic Ministers: Deb Ravestein / Sr. Gerri
Server: Arthur Siwecki

Sunday, September 22, 2024 10:30 a.m. at St. B

Presider:
Lectors: Mary O’Basuyi / Michelle Sherman
Petitions: Deacon Victor O’Basuyi
Eucharistic Ministers: Tracy Henderson, Janice Allen, Sylvia Orr (R) Sharon Hairston, Annette Young, Emmett Orr (L) Deacon (C)

Sunday, September 22, 2024 11:00 a.m. at QM

Presider:
Lector: 1-Cathy Hall / 2- Tom Carter
Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Miller / Charlotte Minnelli
Server: Carl Meyer

- **Prayer Chains, Sacrament of the Sick**
Call office 937-268-6697
- **Weddings, RCIA/RCIC:**
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Deacons Ken Stewart & Victor Obasuyi, and Marty Phillips, instructors

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays before the 4 p.m. Mass at SB, or after daily Masses at CC, OLOM, QM or by appointment.

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Parish Council for Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

Chair: Randall Klotz
Vice Chair: Consuella Wilson

HOLY SPIRIT FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY September 16, 2024		
11:00 a.m.	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary In the sanctuary and Dial-In on Phone	Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136
TUESDAY September 17, 2024		
9:30 a.m.	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room
4:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Meal	CC Madonna Room
WEDNESDAY September 18, 2024		
9:30 a.m.	QM Bible Study	QM Church Narthex
6:30 p.m.	St. Augustine Rosary	SA
6:00 p.m.	St. Benedict Bible Study	In the meeting room
THURSDAY September 19, 2024		
6:30 p.m.	Our Lady of Grace Bible Study	CC Madonna Room

Bible Studies

St. Benedict Bible Study every Wednesday Evenings
6:00 pm in the meeting room.

Queen of Martyrs Bible Study Wednesday Mornings
9:30 am to 11:00 am. McAuley Hall. Year round.

Our Lady of Grace Our Lady of Grace Bible Study, Fall Session,
Thursday Evenings, 6:30-8:00, MaDonna Room at Corpus Christi,
August 29 - November 21, Little Rock Scripture Study on Angels in the Bible.

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Weekend Collections

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ST. AUGUSTINE Sunday Mass
August 25, 2024
To be updated

ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR
Saturday and Sunday Mass
August 25, 2024

Collection \$3320, Maintenance \$60
St. Benedict Charities \$119
African Mission \$20, School \$210

OUR LADY OF GRACE - OLOM & CC
Saturday and Sunday Mass
August 25, 2024
Collection \$875

QUEEN OF MARTYRS Sunday Mass
August 25, 2024
Collection \$982.32



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at noon

Send bulletin information to:
mphillips@qmdayton.org

**Join your church family in praying the Rosary
for the community and each other.**

St. Benedict Rosary is every Monday at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary **Dial-In Available at:**
New Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136

St. Augustine Rosary is in person every Wednesday a 6:30 pm. Holy Hour every First Thursday of the month

Queen of Martyrs Rosary is in person every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., just before the 11:00 a.m.. Mass



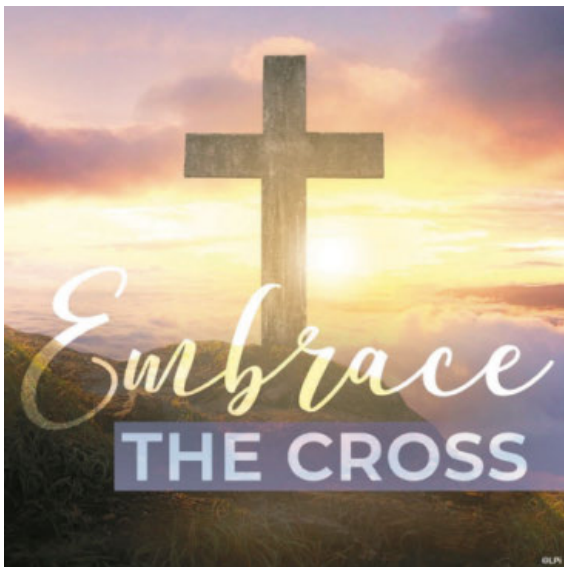
PASTOR'S CORNER

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is a 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation?

The words of this Sunday's Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path. Jesus says, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34). Today I see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn't say "accept" or "endure" or "tolerate," but "take up." Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus, this is the path to "saving one's life." A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all.

By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let's not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That's our only hope for saving our lives.
— Father John Muir



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Take up your cross and follow me," Jesus tells us. We are called to have a faith that is defined by the willingness to go where Christ has gone, and to do what Christ has done, to see Christ in others and to love them as he loves us

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Take Up Your Cross

When I'm interviewing people for my job as a staff writer at an archdiocesan newspaper, I like to ask them this question: at the end of your life, when you meet God, what do you want to hear Him say?

I've gotten a lot of interesting answers.

"I called and you listened."

"What tee time would you like tomorrow?"

"What were you thinking?"

"Your service made things better."

It's a question I've thought a lot about, personally. What I want to hear God say when I finally see His face is this:

"You can put it down now."

When Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say that I am?" he is not just asking them to verbalize an answer. He is asking them to do something: pick up the cross. Find the problems in this world, in this life, and throw your arms around them. Drag them to God, even if it kills you. It's not enough to stand by the sidelines, watching Christ ascend to Calvary, nodding your head in approval. Yes, I agree. Yes, I believe. Yes, Jesus, good job! You have to follow in every bloody footprint he leaves in the dust. Set your face like flint. And when you meet him at the top, you better not be empty-handed. He has a cross, he will expect you to have one, too.

I hope that I can do it. I hope that I am strong enough. I am not one of those great, hardy souls. I stumble terribly under the weight of my very small cross. I grumble as I shift it from shoulder to shoulder. But every time I have been almost at the point of giving up, almost ready to lay it down, there is something — Someone — who supports my drooping arm. The Lord God is my help.

If, at the end of everything, I hear the words, "You can put it down now," then I will know I have made it. I will know I have not failed: I took up the cross.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." Matthew 16:24 ©LPi

Prayer for Catechism Students

**Dear God,
You never stop drawing us closer to You.
Pour Your grace upon these young disciples
as they learn about You.
Attract them. Challenge them. Love them. Guide them.
Bless them. Amen.**

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

CHURCH INFORMATION

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St. Benedict the Moor Church

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937-268-6697 Email admin@unitedinhope.org
Website unitedinhope.org
Office hours: Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 to 2:00 pm

Our Lady of Grace

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Dayton, OH 45405 Dayton, OH 45405
Our Lady of Grace Parish Center (Office)
220 W. Siebenthaler Ave. Dayton, OH 45405
937-274-2107 info@ourladyofgracedayton.org
Website <http://ourladyofgracedayton.org/>
Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Queen of Martyrs Church

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937-277-2092 queenofmartyrsdayton@gmail.com
Website <http://qmdayton.org/>
Office hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—12:00 pm

VOCATION VIEW

“The Lord GOD is my help.” When Christ calls one to follow as a priest or religious, He also gives the strength to overcome the obstacles that are sometimes in the way, but we must ask to receive this strength! (Isaiah 50:5-9)



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

Mary Helen Spanish, Pat Bell,
Betty Jones, Susie Roberts, Angelina Matin,
Nancy Green, Mary Dudley,
Keno Hampton, Sherman Mosley, Juanita Newell,
Robert Florence, Loure Hayes, Renee Raisch,
Richard Dillion, Joyce Merch,
Sue & Frank Kozarec, Marie Hodapp, Craig Powell,
Al Cochran, Mike Mobley, Rachel Woods,
Peggy Neff, Wanda Offenberger, Fran Rickett,
Pat Meyer, Norm Magoto, Kira Prikkel,
Dave Hoerner, Pat Chirco, Keith Jones,
Teresa Bond, Doncella Parks,
Jeanne Sipniewski, Mikayla Powley, Ken Pendery,
Deloria Harris, Samantha M., Joan Means,
George Noeth, June Phillips, Carla Arnold,
Kevin Oleckniche, Julie Moreo,
Ryan Ravestein, Toni Schilling, Andrea Kittel,
Betty Meehan, Karen Kuritar, Dorianne Minelli,
Fred Caudell, Mary Foster
Carl Meyer, Skip Royer, Mildred Singleton,
Ann Heaney, Jerome Johnson, Carol,
LaVerne Dorsey, Elizabeth Wolfe, Virgil Scott

PLEASE CALL 937-274-2107 EXT 3001 TO ADD OR REMOVE A NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST

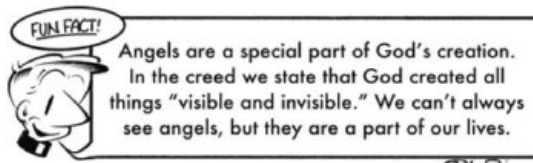
NURSING HOMES

Laure Hayes—Laurels of Kettering

“Did you hear about the angel who started a match business?”



“He called it: a match made in heaven.”



WE SALUTE OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Major Matthew Fecke, Tiffany Kracus Lewis,
Sgt. Matthew Stull, Lance Corporal Patrick Nevius,
Caleb Weaver, Spc. Phoebe Moreo, Adam Wilhelm,
Martha Moreo, Capt. U.S. Space Force
EM3 Douglas R. Sortman, Major Darren Ward,
Staff Sgt. Jacob Naas, Spc. Jonathan Gladden,
AB Makayla Picker, Ssgt. P. J. Picker,
Angelica Tomlinson, USN

DO YOU NEED PRAYERS?

Please call Pat Wilson at 937-836-2006 and she will pray for you.

ENRICH YOUR FAITH

Holy Water

Question:

What is holy water and how do I explain the reason that it is placed at the entrances of churches to my non-Catholic friends?

Answer:

Holy water is a sacramental, a reminder of the life of the Church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. God's grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn the Church, through the sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us of our origins, humbly created from the dust. But by blessing ourselves with holy water, we are reminded of our destiny! We are baptized sons and daughters of God. This is also a call to conversion, to live more fully our baptismal call to live as disciples of Jesus. We see holy water whenever we renew our baptismal promises. This will occur during the Easter liturgy as well, reminding us that we are indeed on a journey of faith and renewed in Christ. Blessing ourselves with holy water reminds us that we are baptized into a community faith, and always in need of turning from sin and toward God. Holy water is a visible sign of our baptism.

All Holy Spirit Family of Parishes Event



Please join us for a
Praise and Worship Service

Music, Prayer, Praise and Worship.

Friday, September 27,

7:00pm – 8:30pm

at Queen of Martyrs, in the church
Hosted by the Holy Spirit Family of
Parishes Evangelization Team.



SACRAMENTAL PREP, RELIGIOUS ED, and OCIA (formerly RCIA)

Classes for Sacramental Prep and OCIA are starting today Sunday, September 15 at **St. Benedict the Moor**. If you are interested please talk to Dominique Akpore at Mass or you can email her at dakpore@stbenedictdayton.org. Sacramental Prep at St. Benedict 11:45 am — 12:45 pm. OCIA at St. Benedict 9:15—10:25 am.

Classes for Family Faith Formation and Sacramental Prep are starting today, Sunday, September 15 at **Queen of Martyrs**. If you are interested please talk to Marty Phillips at Mass or you can email her at mphillips@qmdayton.org. Family Faith Formation and Sacramental Prep at Queen of Martyrs 9:30— 10:45 am. OCIA Classes for QM are forming. If you are interested please talk to Marty Phillips at Mass or you can email her at mphillips@qmdayton.org.

Please note these classes are open to all people within the area of the Holy Spirit Family of Parishes. Please contact the leader nearest you for more information.

For SEPTEMBER 22, 2024
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

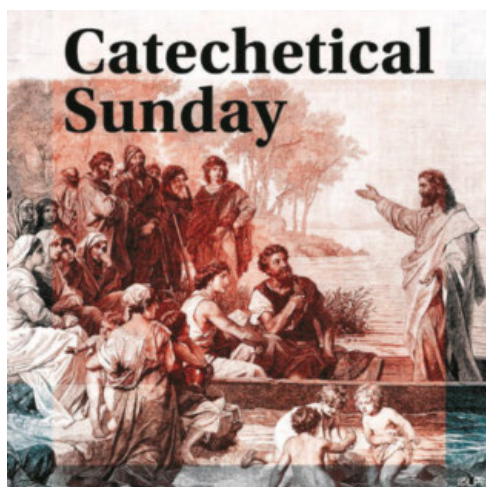


True Wisdom

He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."
(Mark 9:35)

- Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 • The Wicked Speak
- James 3:16—4:3 • True Wisdom and Worldly Desires
- Mark 9:30-37 • Second Teaching of the Paschal Event and Words Against Ambition and Envy
- Adults: What evidence do you see in the world around you that many do not accept Jesus' teaching on power and ambition?
- Kids: Why do you think Jesus says if you want to be first you should take care of others?

Holy Spirit Family of Parishes - September 15, 2024



ST. BENEDICT NEWS

Today!

All are invited to stay after Mass today, September 14 and September 15, 2024 to learn about "Documenting the Black Catholic Experience in Dayton, Ohio." This project is dedicated to creating an archive of materials that represent the views, voices, and experiences of members of the Black Catholic community in Dayton that can be used to develop exhibits, to make presentations, to teach, and to write about the history of Black Catholics in Dayton, Ohio from the late 19th century through the early 21st century. The archive will focus on the lives of members of Dayton's historical Black parishes - St. John the Baptist, St. James, Resurrection, and St. Benedict the Moor. Cecilia Moore and Nick Rademacher are leading this effort to preserve Black Catholic history in Dayton with a grant from the University of Dayton and the assistance of University of Dayton students. Cecilia and Nick wish to present the project plans to the parish community and to invite parishioners to share their thoughts about the project and to become involved in the work of creating the archive. Refreshments will be served.

ST. BENEDICT'S WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room. There will be a continental breakfast served. We will be discussing future fundraising events. Hope to see you there.

ST. AUGUSTINE NEWS

ST. AUGUSTINE PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to be a part of the St. Augustine Prayer Chain, please contact Marie Klotz at saintaprayingtown@gmail.com

ST. AUGUSTINE ONE CALL

To be added to the St. Augustine one-call, please contact Fran Delegato at frandelegato@gmail.com

OUR LADY OF GRACE NEWS

Our Lady of Grace Parish Online Giving

Push that easy button to make donating to Our Lady of Grace that much easier! Go to our web site ourladyofgrace-dayton.org and click the DONATE button located near the top of the page; it will take you directly to the many online funds you can donate to at Our Lady of Grace. Thank you for your generous contributions!

Congratulations!

2024 Preservation Dayton

"Excellence in Preservation" Award

Our Lady of Grace Parish is a recipient of a 2024 Preservation Dayton "Excellence in Preservation" award for the continued maintenance, including the installation of the new roof, of the historic Corpus Christi Church. The award will be presented today, Sunday, September 15, 2024, in a ceremony by Preservation Dayton.

QUEEN OF MARTYRS NEWS

Queen of Martyrs St. Vincent de Paul

We are in need of new or gently used houseware items such as- sheets, bath towels, kitchen towels, silverware, utensil, cups, dishes, and pots and pans. We often visit our neighbors who have come out of the shelter, are starting over after a house fire, fleeing a domestic violence situation, or just getting their first apt. with very little support systems. Please consider donating to SVDP. we assist those in our immediate 45414 area. Thank you so much! Your help goes a long way!



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