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Church Hours
Daily, 7 a.m.–9 p.m.

Parish Office Hours
M-F, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

School Office Hours
M-TH, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
(Closed Fridays)



ENCOUNTER JESUS. TRANSFORM THE WORLD.

WELCOME

Welcome to St. Gertrude Parish—it is good that you are here!

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, you have been here many times and want to become a parishioner, or you have questions about the Catholic faith and want to learn more, the information on this page is a great place to start.

We look forward to getting to know you and accompanying you on your faith journey.

MISSION

Who We Are

We are a Roman Catholic parish of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that is shaped and enlivened by the charism of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans). We teach and preach the Truth, reverently celebrate the liturgy and sacraments, and gather as a community so that all may encounter Jesus here.

VISION

Who We Aspire to Be

To be a community of disciples united in our Eucharistic Lord and sent to transform the world in the light of the Gospel.

CORE VALUES

What We Cultivate

Reverence, Humility, Magnanimity, Generosity, Intentionality

BECOME A PARISHIONER

Ready to join our vibrant parish of missionary disciples?

Register as a parishioner at stgertrude.org/register. Paper copies of the registration form are also available in the parish office.



Been away for a while or curious about Catholicism?

WE WOULD LOVE TO WALK WITH YOU.

To connect with us, get your questions answered, and learn about returning to the Church or becoming Catholic, scan the QR code or contact Tyler Castrucci tcastrucci@stgertrude.org.





A REFLECTION ON MIDSUMMER AND THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

This past Sunday, our planet experienced what we, in the Northern Hemisphere, call the summer solstice, or, more

informally, “midsummer.” It is the moment when the earth’s North Pole is at its maximum tilt toward the sun. It is the day of peak sunlight; after the solstice, the hours of sunlight per day start getting a little shorter, and sunset comes a little quicker.

But it never *seems* like it is. I remember being quite confused about this as a child when I first learned what the term “summer solstice” meant. After all, my mind was operating in “school mode”—in my hometown, school was still in session into at least early June. With summer break during June, July, and August, it always seemed like mid-July represented midsummer, not June. From the standpoint of temperatures, the solstice seems “off” as well; in this part of Ohio, the average peak summer temperature occurs toward the end of July, certainly not during the third week in June! Now, most normal people would not necessarily lose any sleep over this, but the young, scientist-in-the-making Father John Paul was quite perplexed. But, once I learned the reason why, it all made sense. And it teaches us a lesson that is an important reminder for everyone.

You see, while it is true that the days right around the summer solstice are the days when the sun’s rays are most directly hitting our planet, and while that would presumably dictate that those days would correspond to the hottest temperatures, the reality is that Earth is a big planet. There is a lot of air, a lot of water, and a lot of dirt. And so it takes a good long while—more than a month—for the energy from all of that peak sunlight beating down on our planet to really heat things up to their peak temperatures. It’s not a perfect analogy, but think about turning on an oven. If you put on the oven and set it to 400 degrees, it’s sending max heat into that oven from the moment you turn it on. But it takes a while before the whole oven actually reaches 400 degrees. There’s a delay. The effect (having a 400-degree oven) is produced at some point after the cause (turning on the oven).

So, why have I been rambling on about all this? Because in our spiritual lives, our faith lives, our human lives, **the same reality is often true.** We don’t immediately see the effects of our choices, but only after a period of delay. Actions often take time to manifest their fruits. This is where the Christian virtue of perseverance is so necessary. If I’m not one who usually prays the rosary and I pick up a rosary one day and pray it, it’s unlikely my entire spiritual life is going to be transformed. But if I pray it

every day, seven days a week, week after week after week . . . it will change me. It will transform my life. If I’m a parent and I encourage my children to seriously discern and ask God whether they might be called to a vocation as a priest or vowed religious, depending upon the child (his or her age, personality, and so forth), that invitation might not seem to have any effect in the moment. But perhaps years, even decades later, when the Lord is moving a certain way in his or her heart, he or she will remember that invitation, and it will finally bear its fruit.

There are limitless examples we could consider, across every spectrum of human life. Putting extra effort into studying while in school, even going beyond what is going to be on the exam, can pay off years down the line. Making the effort to invest your time getting to know someone from a different racial or ethnic background can give you a whole new perspective when, down the road, you see issues of racism and discrimination flare up in the community or our nation. Reaching out and saying a word of welcome the first time you see someone new at Sunday Mass (perhaps someone new to the area and “shopping around” for a parish) might not bring him or her back the very next Sunday, but weeks later, after he or she has looked at a half dozen churches, maybe your friendly greeting is what brings him or her back to our parish for good.

While I’m not aware of the “rays of the summer solstice” appearing anywhere in the Bible, the lesson it teaches is very Biblical in theme. During the days and weeks ahead, I pray all of us can set aside the desire for instant gratification in our lives (including spiritual instant gratification) and make the choices that will lead to true fruitfulness in the future.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.



FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR FATHER REGINALD

This is Father Reginald's last weekend with us. **After the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 28**, we will have a special farewell reception for him. Please join us to thank Father Reginald for serving our parish for the past year and to wish him well on his next assignment. (He will be taking an open position on the faculty of a seminary in California.) Refreshments will be provided.

CAMPUS CLOSURES & SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR 4TH OF JULY WEEKEND

- **Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel:** Closed Friday, July 3–Sunday, July 5
- **Parish & School Offices:** Closed Friday, July 3
- **Confession:** No confessions on Friday, July 3, or Saturday, July 4
- **Daily Mass:** No 11:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday, July 4

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER CARDONE—10 A.M. MASS, RECEPTION & SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday, July 5, Archbishop Christopher Cardone, our Dominican missionary bishop in the Solomon Islands, will celebrate the 10 a.m. Mass. Everyone is invited to this liturgy, followed by a special reception in the gym to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Archbishop Cardone's priestly ordination and the 25th anniversary of his episcopal ordination. We will also have a second collection at all of the Masses to support Archbishop Cardone's missionary work in the Solomon Islands.



NATIVITIES FOR BREAD

The Ladies of Charity is looking for Nativity sets, individual Nativity pieces, stars, and Nativity creches for its Nativities for Bread program. All profits directly support charities in our surrounding area. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Mary Lou Doran at (513) 543-3696.

ANNUAL TREASURE MART—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Ladies of Charity Annual Treasure Mart is Saturday, July 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Gertrude Parish gym. All proceeds go to programs that help the poor in our community. Unsold items are donated to either Hope Emergency Center or St. Vincent de Paul. After Masses in the coming weeks, the Ladies of Charity will hand out flyers, listing items that can and cannot be accepted. Donations can be dropped off at the gym on the following days (please note, there is no Friday collection):

- Monday, July 13, 5–8 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 14–Thursday, July 16, 9 a.m.–8 p.m.

A lot of volunteers (both men and women) are needed to help with setup, moving large items, and cleanup. Even a few hours of your time is a great help! If you have any questions or are willing to **share Treasure Mart flyers with your family, friends, and neighbors**, please contact Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085. Thank you, in advance, for your support!



Let Us
PRAY

THE SICK

Gloria Bell, John & Joy Belperio, Nikki Best, Johnny Burns, James Caldwell, Vicki Calonge, Meghan Craft, Triset Defonseka, Diana Doll, Mark Doran, Lisa Ely, Octavio Flores Resendiz, Ron Freudenberg, Will Freudenberg, Dick Gelhaus, Goad Family, Elsa Hall, Mark Holland, Hummel Family, Steve Kaimer, Andrea Kattel, Aiko Kimura, William Kimura, Karen Larkin, Kevin Lewis, Jim Lydon, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Tom McLaughlin, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gert Patterson, Romualdo & Maria Pelle, Jerry Pfeiffer Family, Fran Pishotti, Paula Scalo, Don Schoo, Nancy Silvers, Chuck Stalzer, Beth Stoll, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan

THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Patrick Burke, Gabe Dorsey, Jacob Dorsey, Conner Duté, Cole Foster, Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, Miles Mayer, Charles Mayer, John Murdock Jr., John Oscar, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, Michael Stein, Ian Tester, Jack Thornton, and Gus Voto

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

† All Our Deceased Loved Ones



ARCHBISHOP CARDONE YOUNG FAMILIES EVENT—TUESDAY, JUNE 30

All families with children and teens are invited to a meet-and-greet with Archbishop Christopher Cardone on Tuesday, June 30, at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center. Children will have the opportunity to ask Archbishop Cardone questions about being a missionary bishop in the Solomon Islands, take pictures with him, and spend some dedicated time with this beloved Dominican prelate and former parochial vicar at St. Gertrude Parish.



PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR—WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

The next St. Gertrude Parish Respect Life Ministry-sponsored Holy Hour will be Wednesday, July 1, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the church. The specific intention for this Holy Hour is, “For an end to assisted suicide and euthanasia” All are welcome and encouraged to join us for this dedicated time of prayer and adoration. As usual, priests will be available for confessions.



SHARE YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS (CHARISMS) WITH US

Nearly 300 parishioners have completed Called & Gifted, a process of discerning your charisms of the Holy Spirit. Whether you have gone through Called & Gifted or discerned your charisms in another way, sharing your spiritual gifts with our parish clergy and staff will better enable us to assist you in utilizing your gifts to the fullest potential within the parish. Simply visit stgertrude.org/parish-portal or scan the QR code to log in to your Parish Portal account and add your spiritual gifts.



ST. GERTRUDE PARISH PODCAST—NEW EPISODE

In his homily at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 21, Father John Paul talked about the crisis of fatherhood in today's culture and how we, as Catholics, should respond. Whether you want to hear his words again or for the first time, you can do so by listening to the latest episode of the St. Gertrude Parish Podcast, available on Spotify or Apple Podcasts. And if you like the episode, please share it with a friend!



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FEASIBILITY STUDY REPORT IS NOW AVAILABLE

Thank you to everyone who participated in an interview, attended one of our town hall meetings, and completed the feasibility study survey. We greatly appreciate your thoughts and opinions regarding our potential parish capital campaign. The full Feasibility Study Report is now available! To read the report, please scan the QR code or visit stgertrude.org/about/2026-feasibility-study to read the report.



— This —
WEEK

MONDAY, JUNE 29

12:15 p.m. | St. John Vianney Prayer Group (St. Joseph Room)
6 p.m. | Alpha (St. Dominic Lobby)
7 p.m. | Healing Rosary (Church or Rosary Garden)

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

10 a.m. | Archbishop Cardone Young Families Event (Parish Center)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

6:30 p.m. | Becoming Catholic (St. Dominic Lobby)

THURSDAY, JULY 2

7 p.m. | Young Adults Group (St. Joseph Room)

FRIDAY, JULY 3

Adoration Chapel Closed
Parish & School Offices Closed

SATURDAY, JULY 4

Adoration Chapel Closed

SUNDAY, JULY 5

Adoration Chapel Closed
11 a.m. | Reception for Archbishop Cardone (Gym)

BECOME A EUCHARISTIC GUARDIAN

Eucharistic guardians are people who sign up for and commit to a weekly Holy Hour in our Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel. The chapel is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and overnight on Wednesday. **We need at least two people signed up for every hour; many spots are available.** To learn more or sign up, scan the QR code, or visit stgertrude.org/adoration.



MISCARRIAGE KIT BOX

Are you or someone you know facing a first trimester miscarriage? You are not alone. Heaven's Gain Ministries has provided our parish with a box of free miscarriage kits to support your physical and emotional needs during your tragic loss. The box is located in the landscape bed to the left of the circle drive in front of the church. If you have questions about the kit, call Heaven's Gain at (513) 888-4200. Learn more about Heaven's Gain's services at heavensgain.org. We also encourage you to contact one of our parish priests so we can help you along your grieving journey.



MAKE A LASTING IMPACT

Did you know that we have a St. Gertrude Parish Endowment and a St. Gertrude School Endowment? A gift to either of these endowments now will leave a legacy that will provide for our parish and school for years to come! For more information, contact Hope Ramundo at hramundo@stgertrude.org. To give, visit bit.ly/parishendow or bit.ly/schoolendow. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FORGIVENESS?

God is always ready to forgive. Experience his merciful love through the sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests are available to hear confessions Monday–Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 3:30 p.m., or by appointment.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. FAUSTINA



"Today, I tried to do all my prayer exercises before Benediction, because I was feeling more ill than usual. So I went to bed directly after Benediction. But when I entered the bedroom, I suddenly knew interiorly that I should go to the cell of Sister N because she was in need of help . . . And truly, she was suffering very much and had a high fever. I made her more comfortable, and she was able to quench her thirst with the little bit of tea that I brought her. When I entered my own

cell, my soul was engulfed by the great love of God, and I understood that we should take great heed of our interior inspirations and follow them faithfully, and that faithfulness to one grace draws down others."

- Diary, #756

Young Adult

SUMMER SERIES

on the Rosary

May 28
Devotion to Mary and the Rosary
Father Joseph Alobaidi, O.P.

June 4
The Joyful Mysteries
Brother Samuel Trecost, O.P.

June 11
The Luminous Mysteries
Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

June 25
The Sorrowful Mysteries
Father John Corbett, O.P.

July 2
The Glorious Mysteries
Father Luke VanBerkum, O.P.

NEXT TALK

Talks at 7 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room, followed by Q&A and small group discussion.



DRINKING WITH Dominicans



THURSDAY, JULY 9
Trust the Vibes: Making Good Decisions in an Emotional World
Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

THURSDAY, JULY 16
Yacht Rock & the Good Life: Work and Meaning in a World of Comfort
Brother Samuel Trecost, O.P.

THURSDAY, JULY 23
I Don't Buy It: Hope and Belief in a Skeptical Age
Father Raphael Arteaga, O.P.

THURSDAY, JULY 30
Whose Side Are You On?: Finding Unity In a Polarized World
Father Louis Bethea, O.P.

FACTORY 52
One Eyed Jacks
4590 Beech Street,
Norwood 45212

7-8:30 p.m.
7 p.m. | Introduction
7:05 p.m. | Talk
8 p.m. | Q&A/Break
8:05 p.m. | Evening Prayer
8:20 p.m. | Conclusion

ST. GERTRUDE PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

KAYAK TRIP

All teens in grades 7-12 and recent high school graduates are invited to join us for a day of fun on the river!

JULY 21, 2026
10:30 A.M.—4 P.M.
SCENIC RIVER CANOE EXCURSIONS

Cost: \$45 for Kayak Rental

Scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/KayakTrip2026 to sign up!

Contact Shannon Loughrey at sloughrey@stgertrude.org if you have any questions.




Save the Date



LADIES BUNCO NIGHT

All women ages 16+ are invited! No experience necessary. This year's theme is "Red, White, and Bunco" in honor of America's 250th anniversary!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
ST. GERTRUDE PARISH GYM
Doors open at 5:45 p.m.

More details to come!



FATHER REGINALD'S PARTING WORDS

This is Father Reginald's last weekend with us at St. Gertrude Parish. Before he leaves us to teach at a seminary in California, we asked him a handful of questions about his

time here at the parish and his final message to all of you. Here are his parting words.

St. Gertrude Parish: Do you have a favorite memory from this past year at St. Gertrude Parish?

Father Reginald: The first thing that comes to mind is the Faith Rally that we did at the end of Catholic Schools Week back at the end of January. After the school Mass, we processed with the Blessed Sacrament to the school chapel from the church. It was freezing outside—it might have even been snowing a little bit—but all of the school kids and teachers were lining the path for the Blessed Sacrament, kneeling on either side. It was just so gratifying to see the faith of the children in our school and in our parish. After that, we had the Faith Rally in the gym. We had the monstrance on this big structure with all these candles. After a bit of adoration, I went and took the monstrance to each individual child of the school—it probably took an hour. It was so awesome to bring Jesus to them and to see their love for him, for devotion. I'll take that with me for a long time.

SGP: What will you miss most?

Father Reginald: It sounds cliché, but the people. One of the things I love so much about St. Gertrude Parish is that there is just such a massive concentration of good people who want to be saints. You can see it in the way people receive Holy Communion with such love and devotion for Our Lord. There are a lot of good families; big families. There is such a great interaction between the school and the parish because a lot of the people who send their children to the school are members of the parish. It's good to see that consistency and to see that the parish and the school are really at the center of a lot of people's lives in a lot of ways—because they love Jesus, they want to become saints, and they want to help their families become saints. It's so gratifying. I've never seen anything like it.

SGP: How can we pray for you?

Father Reginald: That's a good question. How can you pray for me? Just that I have the peace and the wisdom and the strength to be a good teacher, a good formator, a good example for these young men. I've never taught in a formal way before—really only RCIA. There is a lot of course prep, and a lot goes into it. It's a lot to juggle. Please pray that I am able to do that gracefully and to communicate the saving truths of the faith to these young men with clarity, with rigor, with love, and with

patience. I would really appreciate that.

SGP: What is your message for St. Gertrude Parish?

Father Reginald: My message for everyone at St. Gertrude Parish is, first of all, thank you! Thank you all for welcoming me into your lives and into your homes as parochial vicar. It's been such a privilege and an honor for me to be here. I really will miss St. Gertrude Parish; I've never experienced anything like it. I mean that with all my heart. I'm just so grateful to have been here, even for such a short time. So, keep pursuing the Lord and keep letting him pursue you. Keep pursuing sanctity. Keep your eyes on Jesus, and everything else falls into place.



ST. GERTRUDE PARISH PICNIC

Save the date for our annual parish picnic! More details to come.

Saturday, August 22
5:30 p.m. (After 4:30 Mass)
St. Gertrude Parking Lot

UNPACK THE CHRISTIAN FAITH TOGETHER.

Join us for Alpha, a series of group conversations that explore the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment.



June 29, 6–8 p.m.

St. Gertrude Parish Center

Continues July 6, 20, 27; August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31



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CONGRATULATIONS

St. Gertrude School Alumni

We are pleased to share that St. Gertrude School graduates continue to excel as they advance into Cincinnati’s premier Catholic high schools. High school administrators frequently commend St. Gertrude School graduates for arriving well-prepared, academically and in their character and maturity. This trajectory of achievement reflects the quality of education our school provides. Our faculty’s commitment to intellectual rigor, coupled with our distinctive Catholic formation, equips students with both the competence and character essential for thriving in demanding academic settings. Our graduates distinguish themselves through their academic achievement, thoughtfulness, and commitment to faith.

We offer sincere congratulations to our St. Gertrude School alumni on earning high school honor roll recognition in the 2025–2026 school year. Their accomplishments stand as a testament to their own dedication and to the excellence that St. Gertrude School represents.

2025–2026 SGS ALUMNI HONOR ROLL RECIPIENTS

Audrey Ackerman
 Lily Ann Allgeyer
 Matthias Bonjour
 Gladys Bonjour
 Sebastian Brisken
 Thérèse Bursa
 Anna Carpenter
 Laura Clanton
 John Conlon
 Madeline Conlon
 Rose Cordier
 Ethan Corsmo
 William DeBrunner

Jena Dinh
 Aaron Dorsey
 Elena Escamilla
 Eva Finnegan
 Maura Florkowski
 Samuel Garduno
 Dominic Geiser
 Maximilian Geiser
 Sophia Genung
 Isabella Geraci
 Frances Holt
 Lindsey Johnston
 Genevieve Loehrer

Hayden MacConnell
 Maryn Minnich
 Grace Nanista
 Kelsey Naumann
 Gabriella O’Keefe
 George Pavloff
 Caroline Rentrop
 Jackson Robbins
 Grace Roebel
 Magnolia Roebel
 Hailey Rummelhoff
 Asher Sargent
 Steven Schuette

Audrey Shafer
 Grace Shafer
 Isaac Sharpshair
 Samuel Sharpshair
 John Suhre
 Anthony Thompson
 Chiara Thompson
 Sophia Trauth
 Aurora Wibowo
 Eliana Wurzelbacher



SAINTLY SEVEN SERIES—JUNE 29, 7 P.M.

This month, the archdiocesan Catholic Social Action Office will host the third in the series of events on the “Saintly Seven,” the seven African American candidates for sainthood. The first two events— featuring Venerable Pierre Toussaint and Venerable Mother Mary Lange—were wonderful. This third event will focus on Venerable Father Augustus Tolton and will take place on Monday, June 29, at 7 p.m. at St. Andrew Parish in Milford. Bishop Joseph Perry from Chicago, the postulator (leader) of the cause for Father Tolton, will be joining in person to present. All sessions in the series are held in person, as well as live streamed. For more details, visit tinyurl.com/SaintlySevenAOC2026.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY RETREAT FOR TEENS

Pregnancy Center Plus invites all teens in grades 6–12 to Created, a Theology of the Body retreat, July 22–24 at the Jesuit Spiritual Center (5361 South Milford Road, Milford, OH, 45150). To register for this free retreat, visit supportpcplus.org/chastity-education-program.

October 5-15, 2026

with
Fr. Michael Dosch

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PILGRIMAGE**

Visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Capernum, Jordan River, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Holy Sepulchre, Annunciation, Shepherd’s Field, Dormition, Western Wall, Mount of Olives, Gethsemane, and so much more.

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PREGNANCY CENTER PLUS—BOOTS & BOTTLES EVENT | JULY 16, 5:30 P.M.

Join Pregnancy Center Plus on Thursday, July 16, at 5:30 p.m. at Mojave East in Newtown for an evening under the lights, enjoying mouthwatering BBQ, catching up with friends, and soaking in the festive atmosphere. Whether you're dancing to live music, sipping your favorite drink, or trying your luck at the raffle, Boots & Bottles promises a laid-back summer night to remember. Tickets are one for \$40 or two or more for \$30/person. Tickets include a full BBQ dinner, your first drink, live music, and one raffle ticket. Visit SupportPCPlus.org to get your tickets and get ready for a fun night supporting a great cause.

SAVE THE DATE: CATHOLIC FAMILY NIGHT AT GREAT AMERICAN BALLPARK

You are invited to join Archbishop Casey and Catholics from across the archdiocese at Catholic Family Night at Great American Ballpark on Saturday, September 5, 2026, which is the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. The Cincinnati Reds will play the Milwaukee Brewers at 6:40 p.m. To get your discounted tickets visit gofevo.com/event/Archdiocesecincinnati22.

JUBILEE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples celebrating jubilee wedding anniversaries (25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc.) are invited to Mass with the archbishop on one of the following dates:

- Sunday, November 15, 10 a.m., Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains (Cincinnati)
- Saturday, November 21, 4:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi (Centerville)

Family members are welcome to attend; jubilarian couples will receive a special blessing. To RSVP visit bit.ly/JubileeAnniversary26.

RUAH WOODS ANNUAL FALL BANQUET

Ruah Woods Institute will hold its Annual Banquet on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at the Sharonville Convention Center (11355 Chester Road, Cincinnati, OH 45246). The theme is “Guardian of the Gift: Restoring Identity & Reclaiming the Human Story Through Pope St. John Paul II’s Vision,” and the keynote speaker will be Bishop Earl Fernandes of the Diocese of Columbus. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. More details and registration information to come.

Liturgical
SCHEDULE &
Mass
INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 29 | STS. PETER & PAUL (S)

7 a.m. | Mass – Father's Day Novena

8 a.m. | Mass – Dale & Rachel Friemoth by Italy Jubilee Pilgrims

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

4 p.m. | Confessions

TUESDAY, JUNE 30 | WEEKDAY

7 a.m. | Mass – † Dorothy Eisenhauer by The Lohr Family

8 a.m. | Mass – † Jerry Schuermann by Tom & Christin Spurr

9 a.m. | Moms & Littles Holy Hour

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Jerry Pfeiffer by Sherry Schuler

4 p.m. | Confessions

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1 | WEEKDAY

7 a.m. | Mass – Bishop Earl Fernandes by John & Jan Cremons

8 a.m. | Mass – † Suzanne Stegman by Jenny & John Ward

11:30 a.m. | Mass – Dick Gruber & Family by Jack & Susan Green

4 p.m. | Confessions

THURSDAY, JULY 2 | WEEKDAY

7 a.m. | Mass – Zoe Vasquez by The Family

8 a.m. | Mass – Katie Stoiber by Tricia Speicher

11:30 a.m. | Mass – Jude Krol by Randy & Emily Westendorf

4 p.m. | Confessions

FRIDAY, JULY 3 | ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE (F)

7 a.m. | Mass – † Ted Scherpenberg by Sue & Jeff Normand

8 a.m. | Mass – † Rita Johantges by Jim & Anita Pappalardo

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Lt. Thomas Holden, USMC

by Charlene Bosken

SATURDAY, JULY 4 | INDEPENDENCE DAY

8 a.m. | Mass – For Our Country

4:30 p.m. | Mass – † Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer

by The Schirmer Family

SUNDAY, JULY 5 | 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 a.m. | Mass – † Tami Ann Pels by Michael & Mary Jo Voto

10 a.m. | Mass – † Hilda Bough by Pat & Jan Brown

12 p.m. | Mass – The People of St. Gertrude Parish

6 p.m. | Mass – † Mimi Leverone by Steve Leverone

**PASTORAL CARE**

Are you or a loved one unable to attend Mass due to illness or being homebound? As a sign of Christ's love, our parish community earnestly desires to bring comfort and healing to these individuals. **Please call the parish office at (513) 561-5954, and we will direct you to the most appropriate ministry.**

Here are ways we can help you:

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This healing sacrament is given to those facing serious physical or mental illness, advanced age, or surgery due to one of these. When one is near death, anointing is offered as part of the Last Rites, along with the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Communion to the Sick or Homebound

Our priests and lay ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to individuals who are unable to attend Sunday Mass due to illness or being homebound. This important ministry is a vital sign of the parish community's love and support for all of our members.

Prayers for the Sick or Deceased

Each week, our bulletin lists the names of individuals who are sick or recently deceased so that our entire parish community may pray for them. Simply contact the parish office to add yourself or a family member to this list.

PRAYER MINISTRY FOR THE DYING

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Sunday, June 21, 2026

Collection	\$34,265
Weekly Budget	\$47,059
Weekly Deficit	(\$12,794)
Second Collection: SGS	\$3,038

Fiscal Year-to-Date

Year Ending June 30, 2026	
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$2,479,776
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$2,452,941
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$26,835



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