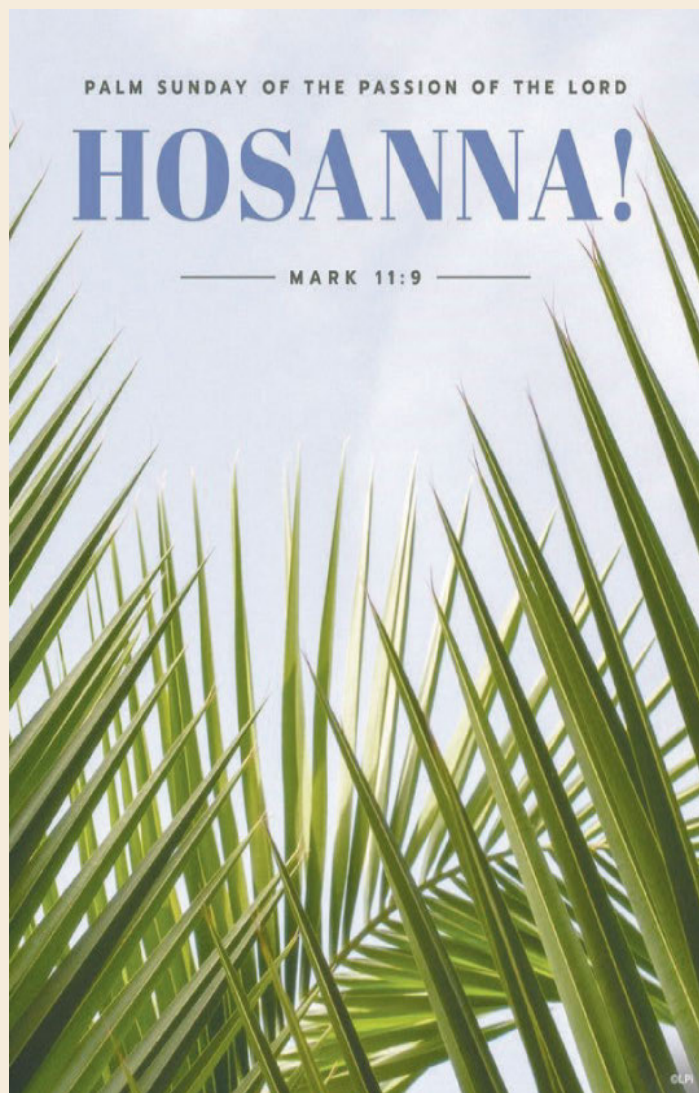




# St. Isidore the farmer

## FAMILY OF PARISHES

MARCH 24, 2024 | PALM SUNDAY



### **Holy Rosary Church**

511 E. Spring St. ~ St. Marys OH  
(419) 394-5050

Office Hours: 7:30am - 2:30pm

### **Immaculate Conception Church**

229 W. Anthony St. ~ Celina OH  
(419) 586-6648

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9am - 6:30pm,  
Fri. 9am - 4:30pm

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Church**

6701 St. Rt. 219 ~ Celina, OH  
(419) 268-2312

Office Hours: Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm

### **St. Patrick Church**

6959 Glynnwood Rd. ~ St. Marys, OH  
(419) 394-5050

Office Hours: 7:30am - 2:30pm (Holy Rosary Office)

### **St. Teresa Church**

4227 OH 707 ~ Rockford, OH  
(419) 363-2633

Office Hours: Mon. & Wed 9am - 4pm, Fri. 9am - 1pm

### **Holy Rosary School**

511 E. Spring St. ~ St. Marys OH  
(419) 394-5050

Office Hours: 7:30am - 2:30pm

### **Immaculate Conception School**

200 W. Wayne St. ~ Celina OH  
(419) 586-2379

Office Hours: 8:00am - 3:30pm



HOLY ROSARY



IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION



ST. PATRICK



OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE



ST. TERESA

# Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, March 24, 2024

2 | Bless is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

## MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY

Holy Rosary (HR)	4:30pm
Immaculate Conception (IC)	5:00pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLG)	7:00pm

### SUNDAY

Holy Rosary	8:00am & 11:00am
Immaculate Conception	8:00am & 11:00am
Our Lady of Guadalupe	9:00am
St. Patrick (SP)	9:30am
St. Teresa (ST)	10:00am

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, IC	8:00am (7:00pm during Lent)
Tuesday, IC	8:00am
HR	8:15am School Mass
Wednesday, HR	12:05pm
OLG	7:00pm
ST	7:00pm
Thursday, IC	8:00am
SP	8:00am
Friday, HR	8:00am
OLG	8:00am
IC	9:00am School Mass
Saturday, HR	8:00am

## RECONCILIATION

### HOLY ROSARY

Wednesday	11:30 - 11:50am
Saturday	3:30 - 4:15pm

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Saturday	4:00 - 4:30pm
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### OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Wednesday before 1st Friday	6:15 - 6:45pm
Saturday	6:15 - 6:45pm

### ST TERESA

Wednesday	6:30 - 6:45pm
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*Anytime by calling the parish offices for an appointment.*

## Family Bulletin

All events/announcements/articles should be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to publishing to [hrsecretary@bright.net](mailto:hrsecretary@bright.net). If you have question, please call Patti Folk at 419-394-5050 or Erik Bonilla at 419-586-6648.

## MASS INTENTIONS / SCHEDULE

### MONDAY, MARCH 25

IC ~ 7:00pm † AJ Taylor | Fr. Rob

### TUESDAY, MARCH 26

IC ~ 8:00am † Raymond & Cecilia Pedtke | Fr. John

HR ~ 8:15am † Madonna Bennett | Fr. Prashanth

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

HR ~ 12:05pm † Joan Rammel | Fr. Prashanth

OLG ~ 7:00pm † Thomas Heitkamp | Fr. Rob

ST ~ 7:00pm † Bernie Homan | Fr. John

### HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

HR ~ 7:00pm † Vocations to Priesthood | Fr. Prashanth

IC ~ 7:00pm † Vocations to Priesthood | Fr. John

OLG ~ 7:00pm † Vocations to Priesthood | Fr. Rob

### GOOD FRIDAY, PASSION OF THE LORD, MARCH 29

HR ~ 1:00pm † Passion of the Cross | Fr. Prashanth

OLG ~ 1:00pm † Passion of the Cross | Fr. Rob

IC ~ 3:00pm † Passion of the Cross | Fr. John

### HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30

IC ~ 8:45pm † Newly Initiated into Church | Fr. John

### THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, MARCH 31

OLG ~ 7:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Waller

HR ~ 8:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Prashanth

IC ~ 8:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. John

OLG ~ 9:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Rob

SP ~ 9:30am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Waller

ST ~ 10:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. John

HR ~ 11:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Prashanth

IC ~ 11:00am † Members of St. Isidore L/D | Fr. Rob

HR ~ 2:00pm † Spanish Mass | Fr. Rob

## BAPTISMS

Presenting a child for Baptism is a serious obligation and requires a faith commitment on the part of the parents and godparents. This commitment is exemplified by being a practicing, active Catholic. Parents are obligated to attend a preparation session before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the last five years. Please call your parish office to register.

## WEDDINGS

Please phone your parish office to set-up an appointment with a priest, in order to begin the sacramental preparation. Only after this initial meeting and assessment can a date be set for the wedding. The process requires at least 6 months.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus **“looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve” (Mk 11:11)** for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and “marry” the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his *marital* purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

**Lenten challenge:** This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited “I do” to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

— Father John Muir



## Readings for Holy Week

### Monday of Holy Week

Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

### Tuesday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

### Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

### Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

### Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

### Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

## Stations of the Cross / Passion of the Lord

<b>Mondays</b>	6:30pm & Mass (* no 8am morning Mass)	IC
<b>Wednesdays</b>	7:00pm & Mass	ST
<b>Sundays</b>	1:00pm	OLOG
<b>Good Friday</b>		
Stations of the Cross	12:00pm	HR
Passion of the Lord	1:00pm	HR
Stations of the Cross	12:00pm	OLOG
Passion of the Lord	1:00pm	OLOG
Stations of the Cross	2:00pm	IC
Passion of the Lord 3:00pm		IC
Stations of the Cross	7:00pm	SP
Stations of the Cross	7:00pm	ST

## HOLY WEEK AT OUR PARISHES

### Monday, March 25

Annual FOHR	6:00pm	HR - UR
Membership Mtg.		
Stations of the Cross	6:30pm	IC

### Tuesday, March 26

“The Lamb’s Supper”	9:00am	HR - UR
HR Youth Choir Practice	2:15pm	HR - Church
“The Lamb’s Supper”	6:30pm	SP Rectory

### Wednesday, March 27

Reconciliation	11:30 - 11:50am	HR
OLG CCD Grades 1-6	6:00 - 7:45pm	OLOG
SP CCD	6:30 - 7:45pm	SP
Stations of the Cross	7:00pm	ST

### Holy Thursday, March 28

**Good Friday, March 29** \*\* See Schedule above

### Holy Saturday, March 30

Easter Vigil Practice	10:00am	IC
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### Easter Sunday, March 31

## Parish Offices Closed

The parish offices will be closed

Friday, March 29 & Monday, April 1st.



## Holy Thursday Pilgrimage – March 28th, 2024

### The Tradition

After Mass on Holy Thursday, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on an Altar of Repose for adoration by the faithful. The faithful are encouraged to visit seven churches and adore the Lord in the Eucharist (this tradition is typically credited to St. Philip Neri). There is something powerful about making a late night pilgrimage to our Eucharistic Lord.

### To Guide Your Prayer

1. Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Luke 22:39-46)
2. Jesus Bound and Taken Before Annas (John 18:19-22)
3. Jesus Taken Before the High Priest, Caiaphas (Matthew 26:63-65)
4. Jesus Taken Before Pilate (John 18:35-37)
5. Jesus Taken Before Herod (Luke 23:8-9; 11)
6. Jesus Taken Before Pilate Again (Matthew 27:22-26)
7. Jesus Given the Crown of Thorns and Led to His Crucifixion (Matthew 27:27-31)

Each church corresponds with one of these seven "stops" made by Jesus on His way to Calvary.

### The Journey



- A - St. Joseph (Mass at 7pm)**  
101 West Pearl St. Wapakoneta
- B - Immaculate Conception (Mass at 7pm)**  
116 North Mill St. Botkins
- C - Holy Angels (Mass at 7pm)**  
119 E. Water St. Sidney
- D - Sacred Heart (Mass at 7pm)**  
9377 OH-119 Anna
- E - St. Augustine (Mass at 7pm)**  
48 North Hanover St. Minster
- F - Holy Redeemer (Mass at 7:30pm)**  
120 South Eastmoor Dr. New Bremen
- G - Holy Rosary (Mass at 7pm)**  
511 East Spring St. St. Mary's

\*Begin your self-led pilgrimage at any of these churches after their Holy Thursday Mass has ended. All churches will be open for adoration through the evening and close at midnight, with the exception of Holy Angels and Sacred Heart, which will remain open for adoration all through the night. Adoration at Sacred Heart will take place in the St. Philomena Chapel. Adoration at Holy Rosary will take place in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart.

## PERMANENT DIACONATE MEN OF THE PARISHES

Any man who may be discerning a possible vocation to serve the Church as a Permanent Deacon should contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, to discuss the discernment process, prerequisites and the formation cycle. Deacon Mark can be reached at 513.263.6641 or [deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org](mailto:deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org).

## A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

April 16 - May 14

Tuesdays in the Holy Rosary Upper Room

Morning Sessions at 9:00am

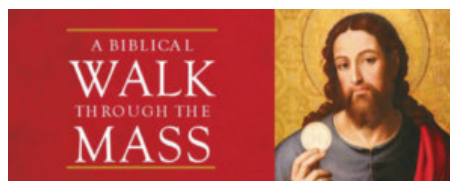
Evening Sessions at 6:30pm.

Books are \$15 (Highly Recommended)

Call the HR Parish Office to Register

419-394-5050.

All are welcome.



## Come. Praise the Lord!

Who: YOU...and tens of thousands of Catholics from across the country!

What: National Eucharist Congress - Day 2

When: Thursday, July 18, 2024

Where: Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

Why: Because Jesus' love for us on the Cross and in the Eucharist is the Greatest Love Story Ever Told!

Cost: \$115/adult (19+ yrs); \$95/teen (13-18yrs); \$20/(under 12) for bus

The Day Includes:

- A morning session centered on ENCOUNTERING the Living God or on CULTIVATING a family of faith.
- An afternoon session from a noted speaker on the theme of your choosing
- Meeting other energized Catholic disciples in the exhibit hall
- An evening rally with all present – featuring a talk by [Fr. Mike Schmitz](#)

Travel Information:

- The bus will leave from Our Lady of Guadalupe church at 5:15am.
- Bus will return to Our Lady of Guadalupe Church around 12:30am on Friday.

Contact Parish Offices to Register for this Event!  
Deadline to register: June 10th



Celebrate Jesus in the Most Blessed  
Sacrament of the Eucharist

## LANDSCAPING VOLUNTEERS

### HOLY ROSARY

Holy Rosary is looking for volunteers who enjoy working in the outdoors and enjoy flowers. We are in need of volunteers to help water flowers, pull weeds and keep things looking beautiful during the spring and summer months. This a great activity for families, teens looking for service hours or retirees.

If you feel that you have hours that you can volunteer and “beautify the House of the Lord”, please contact Jess Rammel at 419-300-1051 or [busmgr@bright.net](mailto:busmgr@bright.net). Landscape expertise not required. We can educate any volunteers to help with this committee. Time commitment is a few hours a week.

## CENTURY FARM AWARD

We would like to honor Catholic family farms that are celebrating 100 years in the northern area of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. We will present the awards at the 2024 Rural Urban Mass on Thursday, June 27, 7:00pm at the Auglaize County Fairgrounds.

To apply for the award, please contact Roger Hoying: at [rbhoying@hotmail.com](mailto:rbhoying@hotmail.com) or 419-733-4543.

## Women’s Spa for the Soul

Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

UAW Hall in St. Marys.

This year’s speaker will be Julia Monnin.

*“Our Identity As God’s Holy And Beloved Daughters”*

Mark Your Calendar now and gather your friends for tables of 12.

Registrations are available in the back of church, [www.holyrosarychurch.us](http://www.holyrosarychurch.us), and the parish office.



### Menu

Cocktails: wine, spritzer, soda  
Assorted savory appetizers  
Garden Salad  
Fresh Rolls with Cinnamon Butter  
Marinated Chicken Breast  
Loaded Mashed Potatoes  
Southern Green Beans  
Decadent Dessert Bar

**40 Seats  
Still  
Available**

## LADIES OF ST. ISIDORE

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Ladies of St. Isidore the Farmer Family, join us for an evening of food, fellowship, praying, and wall Rosary making! On Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at the IC Parish Activity Center. Catholic Collections of Portland, Indiana will lead us in praying the Rosary and also the making of a wall Rosary. Decorate a home wall with your own beautifully designed Rosary, either wood beaded with a cost of \$40.00 or felt beaded with a cost of \$48.00.

The evening will begin with dinner at 5:00 p.m. followed by praying the Rosary at 5:30 p.m. and then creating your own wood or felt wall Rosary. To register contact Lindsey Lunz at 419-953-9597. Space is very limited; registration is on a first come basis.

## EASTER DECORATING VOLUNTEERS

### HOLY ROSARY

Holy Rosary is looking for volunteers to help decorate the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Decorating for Easter Sunday will take place on Saturday morning, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 8am. The decorating will consist of moving and arranging flowers. A few volunteers are needed please call Jess Rammel at 419-300-1051 or email [busmgr@bright.net](mailto:busmgr@bright.net) if you are interested.

## CATHOLIC NURSES

### SHRINE OF THE HOLY RELICS, MARIA STEIN

Journey through Lent with other Catholic Nurses. We meet on 1st Saturdays at *Shrine of the Holy Relics* in Maria Stein. Our group has been blessed with retired nurses, working nurses and student nurses. We pray you will join us too.

10:00-10:30am [Mass in main chapel]

10:30-11:30 [Meet-up in Gast Gallery, 2nd floor]

Join at any time that your schedules permit. RSVP is not required but helpful for planning purposes. Open to all Catholic Nurses in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Call or text Janet Munday, BSN, RN (419)954-1670.

## FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Celina IC Festival Committee will hold monthly meets at PAC Gym for anyone interested in helping with this year’s festival. Our next meeting is April 17 following the 11:00am Mass. If you have any questions contact Brian Schwieterman at 937.417.9105.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

### ST. PATRICK

We are accepting donations for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt at St. Patrick on Easter Sunday. Wrapped candy or cash donations to help with the cost of the goodies are being accepted. Please place your donations in the back of Church.

## EVENING ADORATION

### MARIA STEIN SHRINE

The Maria Stein Shrine will be offering evening Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Thursday of each month. Adoration begins at 1:00pm and will conclude with Benediction starting at 7:30pm, ending at 8:00pm. This is a great opportunity for those who work during the day to spend time with our Lord in the evening!

If you are interested in signing up to be an adorer, contact Matt Hess at: [m.hess@mariasteinshrine.org](mailto:m.hess@mariasteinshrine.org) or 419-925-4532.

**Please Keep the Families of  
Those Who Have Recently Passed Away  
In Your Prayers**

Rita Wynn  
Ted Hasis  
Leah Newbauer



# Youth Faith Formation

6 | Events, Updates, Information

## EMBER DAYS - High School Boys

2024

Ember Days are run by seminarians for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. This event is for high school boys to learn about prayer, discernment, seminary, and the priesthood. Ember Days 2024 are on Friday, June 7, at Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology in Cincinnati and Saturday, June 8, at Sacred Heart in McCartyville. More information will soon be available at [www.cincinnati vocations.org](http://www.cincinnati vocations.org).

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SCHOLARSHIP

Celina K of C Council 1800 is offering scholarship aid to the son or daughter of a member of the Celina council. Applicants must be graduating seniors planning to attend an accredited two or four-year college. Applications are available by contacting Charlie Mescher at 419-586-5618 or e-mail at [mescherjc@bright.net](mailto:mescherjc@bright.net). Application deadline is April 11, 2024.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

We will continue having Children's Liturgy of the Word at IC during the 11:00am Mass on Sundays in April & May. The only weeks we will not be meeting will be May 5 & 19. Children's Liturgy of the Word is open to all children in Pre-K - 4th Grade. Come join us!

## HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL

8th GRADE SPOTLIGHT - KELLAN HARBAUM

North Carolina to Honolulu, Hawaii, to St. Marys, Ohio! Zach and Angie Harbaum are the proud parents of three wonderful children, all attending Holy Rosary School. Fiona is in our first grade, Caroline is in our second grade, and Kellan is in our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class of 16. He came to Holy Rosary because his mom attended and she thought it would be a good place for him. Kellan appreciates Holy Rosary because all the people know who is who and that makes things easy, since they all know each other. Once he gets to Memorial High School, he is looking forward to a different grading scale, and of course, friends.

While Kellan can't really say why, he loves St. Patrick and has chosen him as his Confirmation saint for next fall as a freshman. He mentioned that St. Patrick did convert a whole country to being Catholic, so that is cool. He enjoys watching certain sports and playing certain sports. As far as watching, he prefers hockey, football, and basketball, if it's the Tar Heels! He is a football player and he is finding track pretty cool this spring. And of course, there are always video games for Kellan!

His mom makes a fabulous hummus chicken and Dad's taco rice is great. He mentioned something about chili in our cafeteria that we do not serve anymore, but presently likes the Rider Bowl here. While he finds it hard to pick a favorite teacher, he really likes Mr. Kill and Mr. Larkin, who are both pretty top notch to him. He enjoys life science and is looking forward to Biology class in his sophomore year and joining Cyber Security at Tri-Star.

## RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

WEEK OF MARCH 24

Wednesday, March 27

OLG CCD Grades 1-6	6:00 - 7:45pm	OLG
SP CCD	6:30 - 7:45pm	SP

## SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - JUNE 3 - 7

Join us at SonRise National Park VBS! Your kids will be pointed right to Jesus! Children will have a great time singing songs, watching skits, creating crafts, and playing games. But most importantly, they will discover Jesus provides what they truly need in every challenge of life.

SonRise National Park VBS will be at the P.A.C. at I.C. Church from June 3 through June 7. from 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. for any child currently in Pre-K through 4<sup>th</sup> grade in the surrounding areas.

*Volunteers Needed!* Any Junior High or High School students as well as adults are welcome to help. If you are an adult (over 18), you must be in compliance with all Archdiocese of Cincinnati Decree on Child Protection requirements.

All student and volunteer forms are available on the parish website, in the back of the church, Parish Office, or at the Religious Ed Office. Please return your completed forms to the Religious Ed Office or Parish Office as soon as possible so we can plan and prepare accordingly. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tiffany Pierstorff at (419) 586-2370 or [tpierstorff@celina-ic.org](mailto:tpierstorff@celina-ic.org).



# Totus Tuus

Summer Camp at Holy Rosary

Register Today!

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

Graders

June 23<sup>rd</sup> - June 27<sup>th</sup>

7:00 - 9:00 pm

1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Graders

June 24<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am - 2:30 pm

Registration forms & detailed information is on the parish website at [holyroarychurch.us](http://holyroarychurch.us), at the church entrances, and at the parish office. Call 419-300-1045 with questions.

## HOLY ROSARY

### Lectors

**March 28, 7pm** - Caroline Bills, Steve Kill  
**March 29, 1pm** - Volunteers  
**March 31, 8am** - Lil Heitkamp, Pam Vossler  
**March 31, 11am** - Mary Beth Mielke, Mandy Martin

### Servers

**March 28, 7pm** - CJ Bills, Maddie Brown, Christopher Brown  
**March 29, 1pm** - Adult Servers  
**March 31, 8am** - Jeff Roettger, Maggie Roettger, Lena Roettger  
**March 31, 11am** - Nathaniel Stolly, Ethan Stolly, Evan Stolly

### Eucharistic Ministers

**March 28, 7pm** - Joe Bills, Deacon Marty, Howard Homan, Jerri & Paul Gossard  
**March 29, 1pm** - Kathy Frankenberg, Deacon Marty, Joe Kuebler  
**March 31, 8am** - Ben Brown, Deacon Marty, Matt Brown, Steph Brown, Dave Coleman  
**March 31, 11am** - Mary Beth Mielke, Mandy Martin

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

### Lectors

**March 28, 7pm** - Allison Bruns, Lynn Locke  
**March 29, 2pm** - Trish Baucher, Lynn Locke  
**March 30, 8:45pm** - Bill & Sally Angel (1), Olivia Tester (2), Melissa Fent (3), Trish Baucher (4), Kent Schlegel (5), Jill Howe (6)  
**March 31, 8am** - Karen Stahl, Lynn Locke  
**March 31, 11am** - Jan Yackey, Allison Bruns

### Servers

**March 28, 7pm** - Elle Homan, Karsyn Cooper, Hope Bruns, Grant Heckler  
**March 29, 2pm** - Ellee Homan, Jacob Heckler  
**March 30, 8:45pm** - Jacob Heckler, Brice Heckler, Tom & Diane McLaughlin  
**March 31, 8am** - Hope Bruns, Joy Bruns  
**March 31, 11am** - Austin Muether, Elise Muether

### Eucharistic Ministers

**March 28, 7pm** - Jane Mescher (2x), Tara Homan(3), Freda Lochtefeld (4), Charlie Mescher (C), Craig Bruns (D)  
**March 29, 2pm** - Craig Bruns (2x), Deacon Charlie (3), Ron Hoying (4)  
**March 30, 8:45pm** - Joe Kuebler (1), Virgil Brown (2), Allison Hughes (5), Cindy Koester (A), Deacon Charlie (C), Deacon Marty (D), Joyce Johnson (F), Melissa Fent (Choir)  
**March 31, 8am** - Roy Hoying (2x), Gerald Ahrns (3), Kathy Schmiesing (4), Dr. Ken Schmiesing (C), Becky Lipp (D)  
**March 31, 11am** - Craig Bruns (2x), Cissy Muntzinger (3), Lisa Schott (4), Elden Heckler (C), Liz Muether (D)

### Ushers

**March 30, 8:45pm** - E  
**March 31, 8am** - F  
**March 31, 11am** - G

### Gift Bearers

**March 31, 8am** - Dr. Ken Schmiesing  
**March 31, 11am** - Craig Bruns

### Vocation Cross

**March 31 - Apr. 6** - Joseph Langenkamp

## OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

### Lectors

**March 27, 7pm** - Ashley Stachler, Carolyn Wynk  
**March 28, 7pm** - Donna Siefring, Andy Schwieterman  
**March 29, 1pm** - Jill Howe, Betty Ranly  
**March 31, 7am** - Carolyn Wynk, Betty Ranly  
**March 31, 9am** - Donna Siefring, Ashley Stachler

### Servers

**March 27, 7pm** - Anna Klenke, Landon Moeller, Penelope Seitz  
**March 28, 7pm** - Breelyn, Brenna & Brooke Stachler, Jake Klosterman  
**March 29, 1pm** - Caden Homan, Cierra Homan  
**March 31, 7am** - John Wynk, Julie Wynk  
**March 31, 9am** - Caden Homan, Carter Homan

### Eucharistic Ministers

**March 27, 7pm** - Caitlyn Nuding, Heidi Tangeman  
**March 28, 7pm** - Cindy Koester, Sharon Eyink, Diana Russell (choir), Jill Howe (cup), Shelby Dorsten (cup)  
**March 29, 1pm** - Heather Homan, Carol Buscher (cup), Kim Sutter (cup)  
**March 31, 7am** - Paul Dwenger, Deacon Charlie, Rick Weber (choir), Cindy Koester (cup), Ron Schulze (cup)  
**March 31, 9am** - Sharon Eyink, Shelby Dorsten, Cathy Schmitmeyer (choir), Heather Homan (cup), Carol Buscher (cup)

### Ushers

**March 28, 7pm** - Ron Schulze, Paul Dwenger, John Dorsten  
**March 31, 7am** - Paul Dwenger, Tom Wynk  
**March 31, 9am** - Tyler Dorsten, Doug Everman, John Dorsten, Garrett Dorsten

### Gift Bear

**March 28, 7pm** - Eric Stachler Family

## ST. PATRICK

### Lectors

**March 31, 9:30am** - Virgil Brown, Mike Chalk

### Servers

**March 31, 9:30am** - Trenton Chalk, Kara Knapke

### Eucharistic Ministers

**March 31, 9:30am** - Jane Dwenger, Irene Heilers, Jim Heilers

### Ushers

**March 31, 9:30am** - Nick Brackman, Dave Dwenger, Tom Naseman

## ST. TERESA

### Lectors

**March 31, 10am** - Cheryl Nichols, Laura Roth

### Servers

**March 27, 7pm** - Jerry Provcj, Kara Fullenkamp  
**March 31, 10am** - Doug Hughes, Audrey Nichols

### Eucharistic Ministers

**March 31, 10am** - Alexis Berry, Ann Vian (cup), Shannon White (cup)

### Usher & Honor Family

**March 31, 10am** - Kameron Roehm Family, Mike Roth Family

### Vocation Cross

**March 31** - Les Nichols

### Cleaning

**March 31, 10am** - Ron Gruss

APRIL 2024

# IMPACT

Bring faith to life. Find life in faith.

## OPEN YOURSELF TO NEW LIFE

from Thomas (whose story we hear this month and who is forever remembered as "doubting"). Thomas expressed his doubts to the people whom he trusted and listened to their expressions of faith; he took his doubts to Christ, who showed him the way to faith; he moved from doubt to belief, later spreading the Gospel as a missionary.

**Confusion.** The disciples had experienced Jesus' arrest, witnessed his passion and crucifixion; knew he had died. Jesus had been brutally killed and he had been in the tomb for three days. Their faith was shaken; they were confused and perplexed. We are sometimes confused as well. Life is not always black and white; complex situations with no easy answers may leave us feeling unmoored, uncertain; we may question our faith or wonder about God and God's ways.

**Longing.** Most of us have moments in which we go through the motions. We get up, go to work or school, work out, go out with friends, or enjoy quiet at home, and start the next day no different than the one before. Then, occasionally, something happens. We have a flash of insight, hear from a friend we haven't seen in a long time, are struck by a moment of beauty, a difficult circumstance arises, or we simply find ourselves longing for more, aching for meaning, purpose, and impact.

**Doubt.** Is doubt a bad thing? Not necessarily. Our doubts show us the aspects of faith and discipleship we need to bring to prayer, explore, and grow beyond. We can learn

**Amazement.** It is easy to understand the astonishment of the disciples when they encountered the risen Jesus. He appeared before them offering his hands and his side - flesh and blood - as proof that it was really him and he was really alive. This month at Sunday Mass, we hear the stories of the early communities of believers and what took place after Jesus' resurrection. The lives of the apostles and those who gathered with them were turned upside down by all that took

place in Jesus' ministry, passion, death, and resurrection. They had to look at their lives differently as a result.

**Peace.** Jesus' message to the disciples is more than a nice greeting. He understands their confusion and uneasiness. The peace of Christ does not mean our lives will be absent of fear, confusion, grief, or dismay. Rather, the gift of the Lord's peace is the assurance that God holds us closely in

love and mercy in the midst of the most perplexing of times. With Christ's peace in their hearts, Jesus entrusted his mission of forgiveness and love to disciples then and now.

**New life.** Filled with the Holy Spirit, the disciples opened their hearts and minds to the love of God in unexpected and powerful ways. In response, they shared with others: they told the stories of Jesus, gave their time and resources in care of those in need, and came together as people in community with one another. The same thing can happen to us: let us take this Easter season to open our minds and hearts to the love of God, and respond to this love by sharing: faith, time, prayer, talents, and resources, as Christ's people together. How will you open yourself to new life this Easter season?

*Our daily problems and worries can wrap us up in ourselves, in sadness and bitterness...and that is where death is. That is not the place to look for the one who is alive!*

*- Pope Francis*





### The Corporal Works of Mercy

- + Feed the Hungry + Give Drink to the Thirsty
- + Clothe the Naked + Shelter the Homeless
- + Visit the Sick + Visit the Imprisoned
- + Bury the Dead

### The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- + Counsel the Doubtful
- + Instruct the Ignorant + Admonish Sinners
- + Comfort the Afflicted + Forgive Offenses
- + Bear Wrongs Patiently
- + Pray for the Living and the Dead

## Stewards of God's mercy

When we think of stewardship, we often use the phrase, "**time, talent and treasure**" to express the understanding that we are called to be good stewards of all we are, have, and will be. Stewardship is more than checking things off a list, however. It is a way of life in which we learn to be grateful for our many blessings, and as a result, to be generous in giving to the point of sacrifice, as a reflection of the sacrificial love of Christ.

**In applying this understanding of stewardship to mercy**, let us think about the people who may only know God's love through us. We may show mercy to someone who is lonely or feels neglected by paying attention to him or her, "spending time" in order to express the love of God through our actions. This is good stewardship. We might be called to give of our talents in organizing or participating in a time of service, outreach, or care for others. This is good stewardship as well. Perhaps our material resources or money are needed to meet the needs of those who are in need. This, too, is good stewardship!

**Go out of your way to be a good steward of God's mercy** through the ways in which you offer your time, talent and treasure. Keep a journal or make a list of the ways you and all in your household show and share God's mercy. Become more attentive to the needs of others, and focus less on what you want. Be mindful instead of the many ways you are blessed. In doing so, your stewardship will impact your life and the life of all you touch, now and into the future.

## Receive and give mercy this month

Think about the most powerful experience you have had of the love of God. Perhaps it was at Mass or the celebration of a sacrament, such as Confirmation or Baptism, your own or that of another. Maybe it was a particularly intimate moment with a spouse or good friend. Perhaps you were in a crisis, or you reached out to another in a time of need. Whatever the experience, at the heart of it all, was God's mercy. Let us reflect on this for a few moments: during the Mass, we tell the story of and celebrate God's mercy in many ways, from the readings we hear, to the prayers we pray, to the act of receiving Christ's Body and Blood in Holy Communion. Our sacraments draw us nearer to God in specific ways, through God's merciful action working through simple, earthly material such as water, oil, and human touch, not leaving us to our own devices, but declaring God's love for us, often in spite of our human weakness and failing. When we know the love of others, or when we reach out to those in need, we know and share God's mercy. The extent to which our human relationships mirror the love and mercy of God has direct bearing on the depth of love we experience with family, friends, in our parish communities, and in our service to others.

In this Easter season, we are reminded of a powerful aspect of our faith in Jesus Christ: God's love and mercy never fail! Whatever kind of death we experience — physical death, spiritual or emotional turmoil, grief over the death of a loved one, the loss of job or meaningful work, the breakup of a relationship — death does not have the last word. This is cause for us to say and sing "Alleluia!" Mercy is a sign of God's enduring love. Take time this month to notice and reflect upon the power of God's mercy, received and given.

# St. Isidore the Farmer Family Updates

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## COLLECTION FOR MARCH 9 & 10 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

### Holy Rosary

Weekly Collection	\$ 5,427.44
Online Giving	\$ 5,752.16
Mailed in Donations	\$ 0.00
Total Collection	\$ 11,179.60
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 9,985.00
Over/Short	\$ 1,194.60
YTD Collections	\$ 334,264.96
YTD Budgeted	\$ 352,024.97
YTD Over/Short	\$ 17,760.01

### Immaculate Conception

Sunday Loose	\$ 2,486.19
Sunday Envelopes (178)	\$ 12,564.00
Total Collection	\$ 15,050.19
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 16,500.00
Over/Short	\$ 1,449.81
YTD Collections	\$ 574,909.50
YTD Budgeted	\$ 610,500.00
YTD Over/Short	\$ 35,590.50

### Our Lady of Guadalupe

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,959.00
Monthly Online	\$ 2,335.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ .75
Loose Collection	\$ 1,137.25
Total Collection	\$ 5,432.00
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 4,150.00
Over/Short	\$ 1,282.00
YTD Collections	\$ 152,787.90
YTD Budgeted	\$ 153,550.00
YTD Over/Short	\$ 762.10

### St. Patrick

Weekly Collections	\$ 1,562.00
Online Giving	\$ 300.00
Total Collection	\$ 1,862.00
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 1,510.42
Over/Short	\$ 351.58
YTD Collections	\$ 66,497.51
YTD Budgeted	\$ 52,865.24
YTD Over/Short	\$ 13,632.27

### St. Teresa

Weekly Collections	\$ 1,417.00
Loose Collection	\$ 486.22
Total Collection	\$ 1,903.22
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 1,400.00
Over/Short	\$ 503.22
YTD Collections	\$ 51,511.00
YTD Budgeted	\$ 51,800.00
YTD Over/Short	\$ 289.00

## MASS ATTENDANCE MARCH 9 & 10



Holy Rosary: 861  
Immaculate Conception: 908  
Our Lady of Guadalupe: 521  
St. Patrick: 140  
St. Teresa: 143

## SCRIP GIFT CARD DONATIONS IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

A big THANK YOU goes to all who are purchasing Scrip gift cards! Your purchases enabled us to donate \$18,000 to IC School in 2023, and we just donated \$8,000 to start off 2024, with a grand total of \$237,000 since the Scrip program started in 2010.

We also gave out 242 free \$10 gift cards in 2023 for those of you enrolled in the Scrip Rewards program. If you are not using Scrip or have not enrolled yet, you are missing out on getting **FREE cards!** All you have to do is buy \$1000 worth of gift cards and you are eligible for a **free \$10 card**. Use gift cards for purchases you would make anyway, such as groceries, gasoline, restaurants, clothing, etc. as well as for gifts. You will be surprised at how quickly you will get to \$1000! The enrollment form is available at the rectory or in the vestibule of Church after all the weekend Masses. We keep track of your purchases and when you reach \$1000, we contact you to see which card you would like.

For those of you who are doing the automatic online orders, you have raised \$510.01 for IC in 2023. Your purchases have really added up!

Our Kroger users who have linked their Kroger Plus cards to IC School have also earned \$450.58 for IC this past year. Keep up the good work!

## SCRIP CARDS HOLY ROSARY

Please continue to support our school by purchasing gifts cards through our SCRIP program. Cards are available for purchase year long at the parish office.

We accept cash, check and credit cards. You can call the office to place a credit card order over the phone.

## FRIENDS OF HOLY ROSARY DONATIONS / DUES

The Friends of Holy Rosary have received donations of \$200.00 in memory of Ray and Kay Dingleline and general donations of \$3,817.00. These donations bring the trust fund balance to \$336,927.32. To be a member of the Friends of Holy Rosary, dues are \$5 per individual. Simply drop your dues in an envelope marked "Friends of Holy Rosary" into the weekly collection or drop off at the parish office. The pink envelopes may also be used. Everyone is encouraged to be a member of the Friends of Holy Rosary. We thank all those donating to this trust benefiting our school

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