

March 30, 2025, Fourth Sunday of Lent



# SAINT GASPAR

## FAMILY OF PARISHES

### *Our Vision Statement*

We will be a vibrant, worshipping, sacrificial Catholic family who loves God and sees dignity in all humanity. As we are fed by the Eucharist and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, we will grow in our relationship with Jesus and serve those in our community.

### **Emmanuel**

149 Franklin Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.2013

### **Holy Trinity**

272 Bainbridge Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.1223

### **Precious Blood**

4961 Salem Avenue  
Dayton, OH 45416  
937.276.5954

### **Saint Joseph**

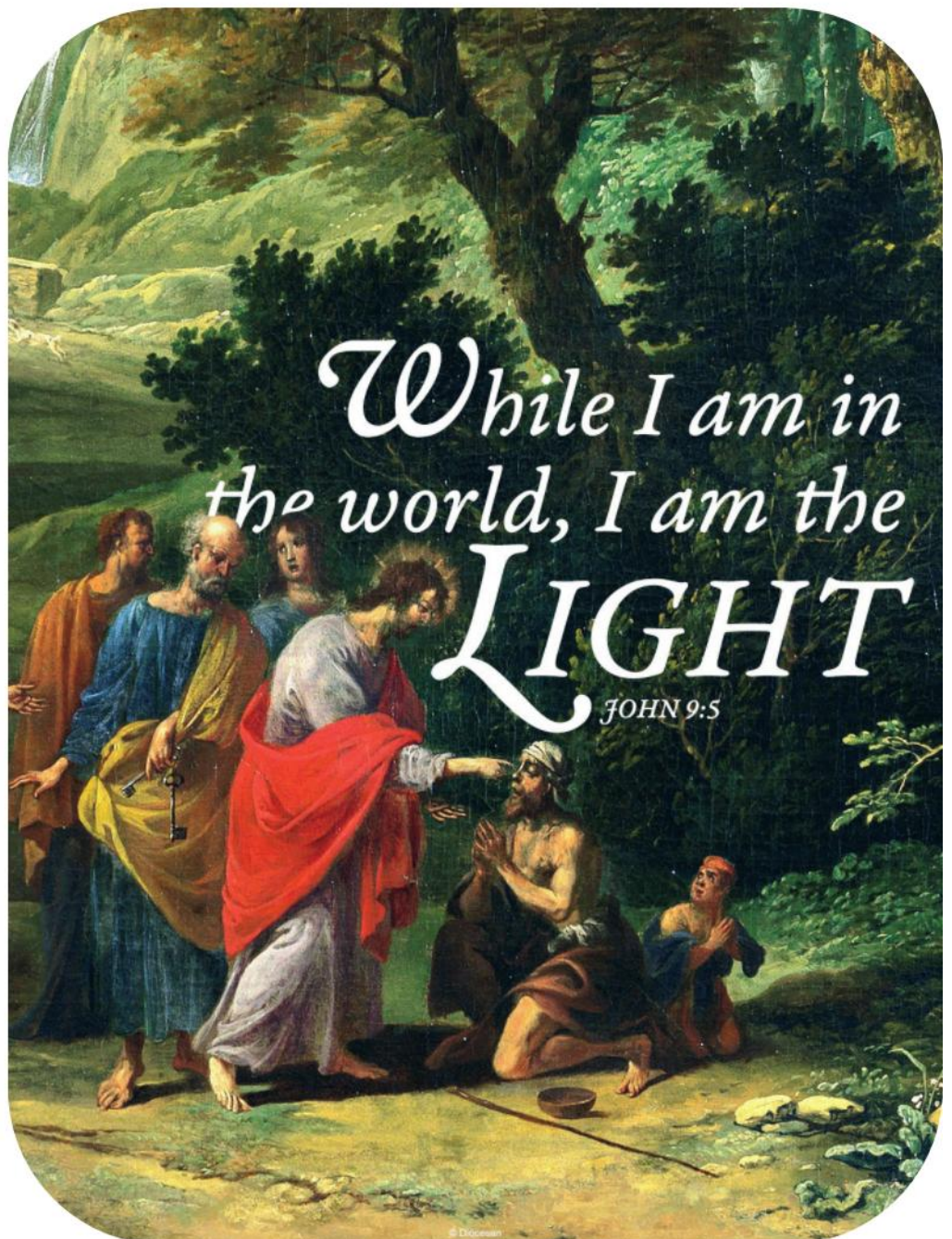
411 East Second Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937.228.9272

### **Saint Paul**

1000 W. Wenger Road  
Englewood, OH 45322  
937.836.7535

### **Saint Rita**

5401 N. Main Street  
Dayton, OH 45415  
937.278.5815





# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Pastor, Fr. Anthony Fortman, C.P.P.S., Parochial Vicar, Fr. Seraphine Lesiriam, C.P.P.S.,  
Parochial Vicar Fr. Jim "Santiago" Gaynor, C.P.P.S.



## Implementation Team Insights

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will have the light of life.*

Close your eyes tight. Imagine yourself sitting by the side of the road, unable to see since you have been blind since birth. A man comes along, spits in the dirt and rubs mud on your eyes, then tells you to go wash your face. What do you do? Scream, yell, shy away, try to rub the mud off yourself?

What faith that beggar had to go and wash the clay from his eyes and see the world. I don't mind telling you that I felt somewhat like that beggar who was blind when I was asked to be part of the Envisioning Team and the Implementation Team for our St. Gaspar Family. It took me a while to "wash the mud" from my eyes to begin to see the possibilities that were opening up in this Next Generation Parish and Beacons of Light process.

**Jesus is calling us, putting mud in our eyes, challenging us to see the church in a new light.** As six parishes united under one family, the opportunities for growth in our relationship with Jesus, education about our faith, opportunities to communicate and help each other no matter who we are, where we live or where we worship, are boundless. Don't be left by the side of the road. Jesus is nudging us to see our church in a new light.

Leslie Iannarino  
St. Gaspar Family of Parishes  
Holy Trinity

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Text: GETGASPAR to 84576



If you need assistance with signing up contact:

Joan Macpherson at 937-276-5954.



## Photo of the Week

*@Precious Blood*

Fr. Seraphine is pictured with Mother Brunner students during their prayer service last Friday. To view more photos from this celebration scan the QR code:



# Mass Times & Intentions

## Monday, March 31, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Roberta Antolini

## Tuesday, April 1, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Rita** ..... †Emily Susan Luhn  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †James Bauer

## Wednesday, April 2, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... U.S. Military and First Responders  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... †Merdella Schwieterman  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Mary & Carl Paulus

## Thursday, April 3, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †Stanley Dague  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... Celebrant's Intention  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Joe & Lisa Zimmerman

## Friday, April 4, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †Geore Muckenthaler  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... †Carol Ferguson  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Jermene Victor Fancher

## Saturday, April 5, 2025

7:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... †All Unborn Children and their Families  
 12:00 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 4:30 pm ..... **St. Joseph** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 4:30 pm ..... **Precious Blood** ..... †Dan Zinnikas  
 5:00 pm ..... **Emmanuel** ..... Liv/Dec. Members of the Friel Family

## Sunday, April 6, 2025

8:30 am ..... **Holy Trinity** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 8:30 am ..... **Precious Blood** ..... †Cole & Ed Adkins  
 8:30 am ..... **St. Rita** ..... †Anthony Ippolito  
 10:30 am ..... **Emmanuel** ..... For Our Parishioners  
 10:30 am ..... **St. Joseph** ..... †John Bossey  
 10:30 am ..... **St. Paul** ..... †Carole Sue Greenwell

## Extended Hours at Emmanuel

Emmanuel is one of three Archdiocese of Cincinnati sites for the 2025 Jubilee, with extended pilgrimage hours.

### Extended Weekday Hours:

Emmanuel Church will be open for 1 hour after each weekday Mass.

### Extended Weekend Hours:

Emmanuel Church will be open for 2 hours prior to each weekend Mass.

*Tours can be scheduled by contacting Deacon Rusty Baldwin*

## Confession Schedule

### Monday Saturday

11:30-11:50 am | St. Joseph

### Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm | Emmanuel

4:00-4:20 pm | St. Joseph

3:30-4:20 pm | Precious Blood

### Sunday

8:00-8:25 am | Holy Trinity



## Scripture Readings

### For the Week of March 30, 2025

<b>Monday</b>	Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Jn 4:43-54
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Ps 51:12a, 14a; Jn 5:1-16
<b>Wednesday</b>	Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
<b>Thursday</b>	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47
<b>Friday</b>	Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
<b>Saturday</b>	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny Readings: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

## Pray For Our Men and Women in the Military

Yves Benihana	Nicholas Kern
Michael Borgert	Morgan Konsdorf
Nicholas Butler	Connor "Bakir" Magill
John Carner	Greg Marcus
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Brittany Maurer
Jon Chachula	Zachary McIntyre
Laura Chachula	David Musgrove
Eric Justin Dino	Diane Nyirasimbi
Eric Raymond Dino	Anthony Pelfrey
Caleb Fowler	Gage Plasenthal
Jacob Gutwein	Matt Shulten
Christopher Harman	Luis Torres
George Hinton	Susan Varmuza
Ryan Hulsman	Justin Williams

# Parish Calendar

**Monday, March 31, 2025**

**Chair One Fitness**

4:00-4:30 pm · St. Joseph/Parish Center

**Walk with Mary (join at any time)**

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Tuesday, April 1, 2025**

**PrayerMates: Stations and Lenten Practices**

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Church

**Soup & Stations**

6:30-8:30 pm · St. Paul/Church & Mtg. Room

**Encyclical Book Read**

7:30-8:30 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Wednesday, April 2, 2025**

**Lunch with the Lord (join at any time)**

11:45 am-1:00 pm · Holy Trinity/Rectorry

**Stations of the Cross**

After Noon Mass · St. Joseph/Church

**Senior Program and Lunch**

12:00-2:00 pm · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

**Catholic Life/OCIA**

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Thursday, April 3, 2025**

**Splendor of Truth Book Read**

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Friday, April 4, 2025**

**Friday Hour**

9:00-11:00 am · Precious Blood/Mtg. Room

**Knights of Columbus Drive-Thru Fish Fry**

5:30-7:00 pm · St. Paul/Parking Lot

**Stations of the Cross & First Friday Healing Mass**

7:00-9:00 pm · Emmanuel/Church

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

**CCD**

9:30-11:00 am · Emmanuel/School

**Good News! Bible Study**

9:30-11:00 am · Holy Trinity/Mtg. Room

**Lenten Adoration and Benediction**

12:00-4:00 pm · St. Joseph/Church

**Sunday, April 6, 2025**

**Children's Faith Formation**

9:45-10:15 am · St. Paul/Mtg. Room

## Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin Date: April 13, 2025

Articles Due: April 3, 2025

Ministry leaders should send information to the Communications Manager, Joan Macpherson via email at: [jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org](mailto:jmacpherson@preciousbloodchurch.org).

## Full Page Flyer

Full page flyers for parish events will be included when space allows. Flyers will be accepted in the form of Word documents or PDFs., JPEGs. Scans will not be accepted.

# Welcome Archbishop Casey



Archbishop-designate Casey will be installed as the 10th Archbishop of Cincinnati at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati on Thursday, April 3 at 2 p.m. Additional information about viewing the video livestream of the installation liturgy will be forthcoming.

We express our heartfelt gratitude and affection for Archbishop Schnurr and extend our prayers and congratulations to Archbishop-designate Robert G. Casey.

# Outdoor Way of the Cross

**GOOD FRIDAY CROSSWALK**  
**APRIL 18th, 2025**  
Dayton, OH

MISSION YOUTH

High Schoolers, Young Adults & Families are invited to join us for our Good Friday Crosswalk, starting at **9am** at Emmanuel Catholic Parish (149 Franklin Street, Dayton, OH). See registration for more details!

Register here!

RC Young Adult Events Cincy  
[rcohiovalley.org](http://rcohiovalley.org)

REGNUM CHRISTI

Questions? Contact:  
Barbette Whelan  
(937) 293-1438

# Holy Week 2025

## Palm Sunday, April 13 (regular schedule)

### *Saturday, April 12*

Precious Blood - 4:30 PM  
St. Joseph - 4:30 PM  
Emmanuel - 5:00 PM

### *Sunday, April 13*

Holy Trinity - 8:30 AM  
Precious Blood - 8:30 AM  
St. Rita - 8:30 AM  
St. Joseph - 10:30 AM  
Emmanuel - 10:30 AM  
St. Paul - 10:30 AM

## Holy Thursday, April 17

### *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

St. Joseph - 5:30 PM  
Holy Trinity - 6:00 PM  
Emmanuel - 7:00 PM  
St. Paul - 7:00 PM

## Good Friday, April 18

### *Good Friday of the Lord's Passion*

#### Stations of the Cross

Emmanuel - Noon- Stations of the Cross  
Holy Trinity - Noon Stations are followed by a Scriptural Rosary, at 1:00 pm the Tennebrae service takes place, with a solemn and dramatic liturgy marked by the gradual extinguishing of candles to symbolize Christ's death.

#### Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

St. Joseph - 1:30 PM  
Holy Trinity - 2:00 PM  
Emmanuel - 5:30 PM  
St. Rita - 7:00 PM

## Easter Vigil - April 19

### Precious Blood - 8:45 PM

This profound celebration begins in darkness and ends in the light of Christ's resurrection. The liturgy features the blessing of the new fire, the proclamation of salvation history, and the joyful Alleluia. A special moment is the Sacrament of Baptism, welcoming new members into the Church at the sacred baptismal font. All are invited to this powerful, unifying celebration—let us rejoice together as one family in Christ!

## Easter Sunday - April 20

Holy Trinity - 8:30 AM  
Precious Blood - 8:30 AM  
St. Rita - 8:30 AM  
St. Joseph - 10:30 AM  
Emmanuel - 10:30 AM  
St. Paul - 10:30 AM

## Devotionals

### *Miraculous Medal Novena*

#### Monday

11:30 am -12:30 pm · St. Rita

#### Tuesday

7:00-8:00 pm · Emmanuel | *Doors open at 6:00 pm*

### *PrayerMates*

#### Tuesday Evenings

7:00-8:30 pm · Precious Blood

### *Benediction and Adoration*

#### First Thursday of the Month

6:00-7:30 pm · Precious Blood

#### Third Sunday of the Month

9:45 am · Holy Trinity

#### Saturdays during Lent

12:00-4:00 pm · St. Joseph

### *Pray the Rosary*

#### Monday-Saturday

12:45 pm · St. Joseph (after the Noon Mass)

#### Saturday

4:30 pm · Emmanuel (before 5:00 pm Mass)

#### Sunday

10:00 am · St. Joseph (before 10:30 am Mass)  
8:00 am · Precious Blood (before 8:30 am Mass)  
8:00 am · St. Rita (before 8:30 am Mass)  
10:00 am · Emmanuel (before 10:30 am Mass)  
10:00 am · St. Paul (before 10:30 am Mass)

## Beginning April 6

The Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary before Mass at Holy Trinity on the first Sunday of the month at 8:00 am.



# LENT

Fast + Pray + Give



## Communal Reconciliation Services

*Going to communal reconciliation services during Lent is a meaningful way to prepare spiritually for Easter. Here are a few key reasons why people choose to participate:*

**Deepen Your Lenten Journey** – Lent is a season of reflection, repentance, and renewal. Participating in a communal reconciliation service allows you to focus on these themes and prepare your heart for Easter.

**Experience God’s Mercy Together** – The communal setting reminds us that we are all in need of God’s grace and forgiveness. It fosters a sense of unity and shared faith as the community seeks reconciliation together.

**Examination of Conscience** – These services often include scripture readings, reflections, and guided examinations of conscience, helping you recognize areas in your life that need healing and change.

**Ease of Participation** – For those who may feel hesitant about individual confession, communal services provide a welcoming atmosphere where multiple priests are available to hear confessions privately after the service.

**Renew Relationships** – Reconciliation is not just about our relationship with God but also with others. These services can inspire forgiveness and healing in our personal relationships.

**Prepare for Easter Joy** – By seeking forgiveness and making a fresh start, you can fully embrace the joy of the Resurrection with a renewed spirit.

## Thursday, April 10

### Precious Blood Church, 7:00 pm

The Communal Penance Service at Precious Blood Church is a sacred gathering where we come together as a faith community to seek God’s mercy and renewal. Through Scripture readings, we hear God’s call to repentance; the homily deepens our understanding of His boundless forgiveness. An examination of conscience invites us to reflect on our hearts and actions, leading to an act of contrition expressing true sorrow. Individual confession takes place after the liturgy.

## Tuesday, April 15

### Emmanuel, 6:30 pm

The Communal Penance Service at Emmanuel is a time of grace and reconciliation, inviting each of us into God’s mercy. From 6:30 to 8:00 PM, individual confessions provide the opportunity for personal healing and renewal. Beginning at 7:00 PM, we will enter into a time of deep prayer with Exposition and Benediction, drawing us into the presence of Christ. A homily will offer reflection and encouragement, followed by a Communion Service that nourishes our souls. We will conclude in devotion, lifting our prayers through the Miraculous Medal Novena, seeking Mary’s intercession as we embrace the peace and renewal of God’s forgiveness.

## Stations of the Cross During Lent

*Join the St. Gaspar Family of Parishes in a meaningful Lenten tradition by participating in the Stations of the Cross*

Emmanuel, Fridays, through April 11, at 7:00 pm

St. Joseph, Wednesdays, through April 16, after Noon Mass

## Tuesday Night Soup and Stations

*@St. Paul, Tuesdays, through April 8, 6:30 pm*

Stations of the Cross are followed by a communal soup and bread supper at St. Paul on Tuesday evenings. If you would like, bring a soup to share. In addition to Soup and Stations at St. Paul, Fr. Jim Gaynor will be leading a group discussion on the encyclical "Dilexit Nos" ("He Loved Us") is an encyclical issued by Pope Francis on October 24, 2024.

## Friday Night Lenten Dinners

*@St. Paul, through April 11, 5:30 PM - 7:00 pm*

The Knights will offer Friday night drive-thru dinners of fried fish, french fries and coleslaw during Lent. The cost is \$12 each plate, additional pieces of fish can be purchased. Credit Cards are accepted.

### Soup and Salvation

*@Emmanuel, Friday, April 11, 5:30 pm*

Emmanuel is hosting their second Lenten Soup Supper before Stations at 7:00 pm on Friday, April 11.

Bring a meatless soup to share.



Spend some time with our Lord this Lent  
There will be Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays during Lent at St. Joseph Church following the Noon Mass until 4:00pm. There will be private meditation as well as occasional group prayer as follows:

- 12:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Rosary
- 2:00 Seven Offerings of the Most Precious Blood
- 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayer to the Divine Mercy
- 3:30 Rosary - Sorrowful Mysteries
- 3:50 Benediction followed by opportunity for Confession

*Come for an hour, or just drop in for a few minutes whenever you can for personal prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He'll be waiting for you.*

**Lenten  
SERVICE PROJECT**

The Children's Faith Formation Program will be making Easter baskets for the St. Vincent De Paul food pantry to distribute. Donations can be brought to class on Sunday mornings and given to the teachers. The last Sunday to bring in donations is April 13th.

**Items needed: Candy, small toys such as coloring books, crayons, yoyos, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, jump ropes, Easter Baskets, etc. (We will put items together in baskets.)**

**Questions- ask Erica  
erudemiller@preciousbloodchurch.org  
937-836-7535 ext 2008**

The Children's Faith Formation Program serves primarily Precious Blood, St. Paul and St. Rita parishes. Everyone from our Family of Parishes is welcome to contribute to this Lenten service project. Please contact the program director, listed above, if you would like to make arrangements for drop off.



# SAVE THE DATE

## Building a Eucharistic Marriage Course

### Location:

St. Gaspar Family of Parishes  
St. Joseph's Parish Center  
411 East Second Street  
Dayton, OH 45402

**APRIL 22ND–JUNE 3RD, 2025**  
**TUESDAY EVENINGS 6:30–8:30PM**  
MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

\*Childcare **not** scheduled to be available at this time

[www.eucharisticmarriage.org](http://www.eucharisticmarriage.org)

937.262.7010



Greg Schutte, MSW, LISW-S  
Senior Director of Marriage Works! Ohio  
Catholic Therapist & Author





## Chair One Fitness with Alice Earnst

*@St. Joseph Parish Center, March 31-May 5*

Chair One Fitness is a fun chair-dance exercise program set to music and suitable for all abilities. Alice Earnst is our instructor. She brings a wealth of work out experience and teaches in other Dayton area churches and fitness facilities.

Register now for the next six week series being offered Mondays, March 31, 2025 through May 5, 2025.

- Time is 4:00 – 4:30 pm in St. Joseph Center (across the street from the church).
- Cost is \$30.00 per person.
- A minimum of 10 registrants is needed to hold the class.
- Pre-registration is required.

Contact Sharon Becker for more information and to register by 2pm, Sunday, March 30th at 937.776.2942, or by email at sharonbecker6@gmail.com.

## Senior Program: Bingo! Sponsored by Brookdale

*@St. Paul, Wednesday, April 2, from 12:00-2:00 pm*

The Senior Program meets twice monthly at St. Paul. Each gathering offers something special, whether it's an inspiring guest speaker, lively entertainment, or a fun group activity. We look forward to welcoming both familiar faces and new friends, so mark your calendar and join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun!

Please call to make reservations for Bingo by noon on Monday, March 31 by calling 937-836-7535.

## Benediction and Adoration

*@Precious Blood, Thursday, April 3, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm*

Spend Time with the Lord. Please come away for some quiet, peaceful time with our Lord Jesus during our next Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction.

Come and pray with our Lord for peace for our world, the protection and nurturing of all human life, care for God's Creation, and for the blessing of our loved ones, and the poor and the oppressed in our world.

## Stations of the Cross & First Friday Healing Mass

*@Emmanuel, Friday, April 4, at 7:00 pm*

Join us for a special evening of prayer and healing at Emmanuel RC Church. We will begin with the Stations of the Cross, followed by First Friday Mass with anointing for healing. Entrance: Use the ramp door on the west/left side of the church. Celebrant & Host: Fr. Vincent Chembakassery

If you are sick or have been exposed to COVID-19 or any virus, please bring and wear a mask. Come and experience Christ's love through prayer, reflection, and the healing power of the Eucharist. All are welcome!



## KOC #500, First Sunday Brunch

*@Bainbridge Hall, Sunday, April 6, from 9:00 am—2:00 pm*

Please join us at Bainbridge Hall with your friends and parishioners for fellowship and a fabulous brunch menu prepared by Key Ingredient Catering.

Cost is \$19.00

# DARE TO DATE



# TRIVIA NIGHT

*@Emmanuel, Saturday, April 12*

*from 6:30-9:00 pm*

Dare to Date! Marriage Uncorked invites you and your spouse or fiancée to a competitive night of trivia! Join us on Saturday, April 12th, from 6:30-9:00 pm at the Emmanuel school building!

Bring a snack to share and your game face!

Babysitting is available for \$4 per child with \$15 family maximum. RSVP to Rachel Bond at MarriageUncorked@gmail.com

## Notes from Emmanuel's Choir Loft

*From Michele Carner, Music Director*

One of the most well-known Lenten hymns is that of today's recessional, "The Glory of These Forty Days." The words are attributed to none other than the 6th-century Pope St. Gregory the Great, whose work in formalizing the liturgy and collecting and promoting the music therein gave rise to the term "Gregorian chant." While this text is often sung to the stately "Old Hundredth" tune, our hymnal uses the more rigorous "Erhalt Uns Herr," perhaps to reflect our determination to "be full oft in fast and prayer" with Christ as we persevere in our Lenten journey.

# SPRING IS IN THE AIR

## Holy Trinity's Annual Plant Sale Fundraiser-Orders Due this Week!

**Orders due Friday, April 4**

Update your landscape with beautiful, superior-quality plants from Holy Trinity's Annual Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser!

**Plants provided by Furst Florist.**

Flats of Annuals, Potted Plants and Hanging Baskets, oh my!

A printable price list is available at church and on the website: <http://holytrinitydayton.net>

Orders must be prepaid and in by Friday, April 4. Orders can be dropped off at the Holy Trinity office during normal business hours, or placed in the collection basket on Sunday, or mailed to the office.

Pickup will be between 3:00-6:00pm on Thursday, May 8th in the church parking lot.



### Plant Giveaway

**@Precious Blood, Sunday, April 6, after Mass**

What better way to start the gardening season than with a plant giveaway. I get more questions from parishioners about my favorite plant, the blue flax. I have it all down my driveway and it is the only plant that I let reseed.



What is special about the blue flax is that it blooms the whole month of May and 2 weeks of June (5-6 weeks). Most perennials usually only bloom 2-3 weeks max. It also gives fresh flowers daily. When done blooming, I let my brown

seed pods sow seeds.(usually early July), then cut them down. If you do not want seedlings, you cut the plant down once the flowering is over.

I even had a gentleman from Cincinnati leading a funeral procession at Precious Blood ask me about this plant. I told him that if he could find a paper cup and put a little water in it, that I would dig one up. He was just THRILLED!!!

My plans are to have these free plants available after the 8:30 mass on Sunday, April the 6th. When planted, they should bloom this May. HAPPY GARDENING!!! Helen Sloan

### Interested in Gardening? Don't Know Where to Start?

**Join God's Garden at St. Paul**

God's Garden at St. Paul Grows organic produce for food pantries, and has free garden beds available for the local community in exchange for help with the larger garden. Grow for your own household, get expert advice, provide service to the community.

Tilling, water, some plants and seeds available.

Interested? Contact Sue at [skksack@gmail.com](mailto:skksack@gmail.com) or 937-836-4223. God's Garden is located at 1000 W Wenger Rd.

Gardening starts at the beginning of May. Look for updates in the bulletin.

### Days and Times:

Monday evening at 7:00 pm, or Thursday mornings 9:00 am.



Sign up for our Flocknote Group to receive the most up to date information. Scan the QR code or visit:

[StGasparFamilyDayton.flocknote.com/stpaulgarden](http://StGasparFamilyDayton.flocknote.com/stpaulgarden)



## Save the Date

### 5th Annual Women's Day!

*@Trinity Center, May 17*

Our 2025 Women's Day will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2025 at Trinity Center on the Holy Trinity campus. The time is 8:30 am – 2:30 pm. Continental breakfast and lunch are included. Cost is \$30.00 per person, and pre-registration will be required.

Watch future bulletins for further details, which are coming soon!

## Easter Flowers

*@Holy Trinity*

Donations for Easter flowers along with the names of individuals you wish remembered are being accepted. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked "flowers" in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

## The Cleaning Brigade

*@St. Joseph, Wednesday, April 9, 9:00 am*

The cleaning brigade will be cleaning the church. Please consider joining the crew to help clean the church for Holy Week and Easter.

## Help Set Up For Easter

*@Holy Trinity,*

*Monday, April 14 at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm*

We will be doing a general church cleaning, i.e. oiling the pews, scrubbing the kneelers and marble walls.

## Come Brunch with Us!

*@St. Joseph, Sunday, April 13, after the 10:30am Mass.*

If you would like to add to the brunch selection, items can be dropped off before Mass, starting at 10:00 am.



## Rummage Sale Drop-Off Dates

*@Trinity Center, April 6, 13 and 27, 9:30 am-1:00 pm*

Planning to downsize, declutter, or organize the household in 2025 and wondering what to do with your unwanted or no longer needed treasures? Consider passing them along to Holy Trinity to be used in their annual Rummage Sale in May. Drop off is at Trinity Center at the north door.

Drop off is open to all of the Saint Gasper's family parishes. Please no furniture, clothes, or shoes.

## Shop and Support our Rummage Sale!

*@TrinityCenter, May 3 & 4*

Holy Trinity's annual Rummage Sale will be held May 3, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and May 4, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm for all in our family of parishes to attend.



## Almsgiving at Holy Trinity

### *Two Good Causes*

This year our Almsgiving Projects are for the Good Neighbor House and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl effort.

### Good Neighbor House

The Good Neighbor House, located on E. First Street in downtown Dayton is committed to making a difference in the lives of people who need a helping hand and the under-served in our community.

#### *Their wish list includes:*

- Stickers for Children
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Snack Packages: Nuts, fruit cups, crackers chips, cookies, granola bars
- Copy paper
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Manual Can openers
- 12-16-gallon trash bags

### CRS Rice Bowl

CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. The simple cardboard boxes are in the back of church to collect Lenten alms. It comes with a Lenten calendar that guides families throughout the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections, stories and opportunities to put alms in their rice bowl.

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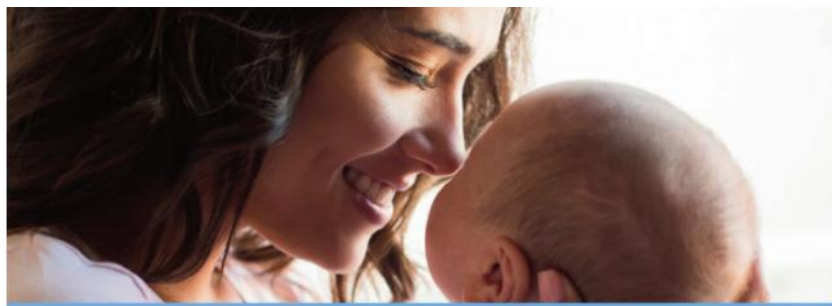
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# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Directory & Parish Information

## Parish Information

### **Baptisms**

Call your parish office to schedule. If this is your first child or if you have never attended a baptism class, please call your parish office to register for a baptismal preparation class.

### **Baptismal Preparation Class**

You may attend class at any of our Family of Parishes. Registration is required. To register contact your parish office.

### **Communion for the Homebound**

Parishioners, who are confined to their homes and wish to receive Communion, please call your Parish Office.

### **Marriage**

Please call your Parish Office at least six months in advance to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

### **OCIA and Catholic Life**

For those adults wishing to enter the Catholic Church. St. Gaspar Family of Parishes has two programs:

#### **Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm**

Catholic Life meets at Precious Blood Church on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The program is year round and you can join at any time. Contact Curtis Kneblak for more information: 937-276-5954 ext. 2111 or via email: ckneblak@preciousbloodchurch.org.

#### **Thursday Evenings at 5:30 pm**

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults), offers a welcoming pathway for individuals embarking on the journey of joining the Catholic Church. Contact Lynda Middleton for more information: 937-228-1223 or via email: lyndamiddleton9@gmail.com.

### **Live Stream Mass**

#### **Precious Blood Church, Sunday, 8:30 am**

Visit: <https://northwestdaytoncatholic.org/livestream/>

#### **St. Joseph Church, Sunday, 10:30 am**

<https://www.facebook.com/DaytonCatholic>

Hearing Aid Receivers available at St. Joseph. Are you having difficulty hearing the Mass? If so, we have hearing aid receivers available for your use. Just ask an usher and they will get you one. You can keep the hearing aid receiver to use each week. When you no longer need to use it just return it to an usher.

## Staff Directory

### **Pastoral Staff**

#### **Father Tony Fortman, C.P.P.S.**

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#### **Father Seraphine Lesiriam, C.P.P.S.**

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plesiriam@gmail.com

#### **Father Jim "Santiago" Gaynor, C.P.P.S.**

937-836-7535  
fr.santiago@preciousbloodchurch.org

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#### **Deacon Dale De Brosse: 937-276-5954**

daleanddeb@live.com

#### **Deacon Jim Olinger: 937-278-5815**

#### **Deacon Mike Prier: 937-276-5954**

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#### **Director of Evangelization**

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### **Emmanuel**

#### **Business Manager: Christopher Lockhart**

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#### **Secretary: Mary Beemsterboer**

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### **Holy Trinity**

#### **Business Manager: Christopher Lockhart**

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#### **Secretary: Marina Dodaro**

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#### **DRE/Pastoral Associate: Lynda Middleton**

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#### **Music Director Krista Schupbach**

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### **St. Joseph**

#### **Business Manager: Christopher Lockhart**

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#### **Music Director: Bradley Wilson**

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### **Precious Blood, St. Paul & St. Rita**

#### **Business Manager: Julie Behrens**

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#### **Business Manager: Joe Hurr (retiring)**

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#### **Principal Robin Johnson: 937-277-2291**

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#### **Love in Action Coordinator: Matt Ruttle**

937-278-5815 ext. 102

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#### **Music and Liturgy Director: Marianne Pitts**

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#### **Curtis Kneblak : 937-276-5954 ext. 2111**

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#### **Secretary: Nancy Burton**

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937-672-2845

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Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister?

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937-416-8870 or call your parish office.

# St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List

Our six parishes have combined their prayer lists into one, symbolizing our unity and shared faith.  
Names in bold represent new additions.

## St. Gaspar Family of Parishes Prayer List as of 3/25/2025

**Tomasina Asterino Jones**

**Barb Aivalotis**

Andy Belt

**Bill & Jayme Budde**

Marty DeMange

Terry Driver

Fran Franchina

Kay Gallihar

Janet Rudy-Gerrard

Jeffrey Glackin

Michael Glackin

O'Dell & Shari Graves

**Carol Greer**

Sean & Nancy Hathaway

Joyce Heuker

John & Joan Jankowski

**John Kimble**

**Margie Krisher**

Colette Ann Kropp

**Phil Lange**

**Amy Michel-Magan**

Diane Meier

Pope Francis

Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

Debbie Shively

**Cheryl Simon**

**Conrad Slorp**

**Ted Sollmann**

**Kelly Webster**

Catherine Winkler

### **Prayer List Guidelines**

*New names appear in bold.*

*Names remain on the prayer list for four weeks unless we are notified otherwise.*

### **Adding a name to the prayer list:**

*The St. Gaspar Family of parishes prayer list is faithfully maintained by staff member Nancy Burton.*

*If you would like to add a name to the prayers list you may call your parish office or email Nancy directly at: [nburton@preciousbloodchurch.org](mailto:nburton@preciousbloodchurch.org).*

With Sympathy for those we have lost: We extend our sympathy to the family of Roberta Antolini whose funeral Mass was offered at St. Joseph. For former St. Paul parishioner, Dave Wetzal and St. Paul parishioner Tom Dillhoff. Rest in Peace. Amen.

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