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CHURCH of THE INCARNATION

February 23, 2014

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Registration

New parishioners are asked to contact the office. A warm welcome to all.

Baptisms

Baptisms are held on the first three Sundays, after the noon Mass. Baptisms may be scheduled on the 4th Sundays during the noon Mass (limit 4). First time parents should plan to attend the Baptismal Preparation Program offered the first Thursday of each month (7:30 Parish Center).

RCIA

Obtain information on The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults by calling Tim Niesel.

Marriages

Please plan for six months preparation time. Contact Mrs. Porcino.

Hospital & Home-bound Visits

We take particular care to visit those hospitalized and homebound. If you or a family member are hospitalized or homebound, please call the parish office. If there is a need to be anointed, you may contact the office with that request.

Mass Intentions

Call or visit the Pastoral Center.



And the
Word became
flesh and lived
among us...

John 1:14

MASS TIMES

D a i l y _____

6:30, 8:30*: (*All school Mass Fridays 9:00 Church)

Saturday: 8:30am

S u n d a y L i t u r g y _____

Sat. 5:30pm Sun: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, noon—Church
9:30 and 11:00—Parish Center

H o l y D a y s _____

Holy Day- 6:30, 9:00, noon, 7:00pm

C o n f e s s i o n s _____

Saturday mornings, 9:00-9:45

E u c h a r i s t i c A d o r a t i o n _____

3rd Mondays, 7:00pm, with Exposition and Benediction
Church open (door closest to Rectory) throughout the week for
private adoration: Mon-Thurs, 6:00am-9:00pm; Fri, 6:00am-5:00pm;
Sat, 8:00am-6:30pm; Sun, 7:00am-9:00pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.....Jas 3:13-18 • Ps 19:8-10, 15 • Mt 9:14-29
Tue.....Jas 4:1-10 • Ps 55:7-11, 23 • Mk 9:30-37
Wed.....Jas 4:13-17 • Ps 49:2-3, 6-11 • Mk 9:38-40
Thu.....Jas 5:1-6 • Ps 49:14-20 • Mk 9:41-50
Fri.....Jas 5:9-12 • Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12 • Mk 10:1-12
Sat.....Jas 5:13-20 • Ps 141:1-3, 8 • Mk 10:13-16
Sun.....Is 49:14-15 • Ps 62:2-3, 6-9 • 1 Cor 4:1-5 • Mt 6:24-34

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the first reading for today from Leviticus, the Lord says to Moses, "Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy." But to really be holy is an extremely daunting task. To really be holy means that every decision you make, every thought you have, every moment of your life, should be spent glorifying God. Whoa...I guess I'm not very holy!

Not only do we have this call to be holy this week in the first reading, but we also have an even tougher challenge in the Gospel! Jesus says to his disciples, "So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." I remember the first time I read this thinking, "Great! I have no chance to ever be perfect." Maybe when you hear these words you feel the same.

I used to think these calls to be truly holy and perfect like God were unobtainable goals, so why should I even bother. But my perspective was changed with something my football coach said when I was a senior in high school. He said, "If you push to perfection, you're never going to get there, because that's God's deal...but somewhere along the line you find greatness." That phrase has stuck with me all these years! And I have come to understand that just because something is impossible doesn't mean that we shouldn't still strive to reach it. Even though some earthly people might be great examples of truly holy people, our one model should be Jesus. We are limited in our humanness, but if we strive to live as our perfect model, Jesus, somewhere along the line we will find greatness.

Danny Dunn, Youth Minister

This weekend we will be listening to an audio message from Archbishop Schnurr explaining how our support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal is part of our commitment to our faith, and asking every Catholic household to make a pledge. Thanks to all from Incarnation Parish who contributed \$180,146 to the 2013 Catholic Ministries Appeal. This year our financial goal is to raise \$126,880. Please know that your participation vital to reaching our parish goal.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS
Saturday, May 3, 2PM, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception
Couples celebrating their Golden or Silver Wedding Anniversaries
should notify the parish by March 3.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 24
6:30—Charles MacCarter (d)
8:30—Tom Kunas (d)
Tuesday, February 25
6:30—Jonathan Endres (d)
8:30—Ben Cramer (d)
Wednesday, February 26
6:30—McIntire Family
8:30—Tim Kirby (d)
Thursday, February 27
6:30—Mary Lou DiSalvo (d)
8:30—Tom and Nancy Meier Anniversary (L)
Friday, February 28
6:30—Buchard Family
9:00—Robert Lavoie (d)
Saturday, March 1
8:30—Maria Asaro (d)
Sunday, March 2
Purgatorial Society:
Donald Seger
David Woeste
Thomas M. Smith
John Endres
Julie Rose Leiker
Evelyn Fitzgerald
William & Clara Fitzgerald
Patricia Higgins
Dona Jean Walter
Herbert E. Walter
George W. Wild
Elizabeth Wild
Jacqueline Allman
James Lawler
Nick Trombley
Mary C. Kangas
J. Eugene Kangas
Ginny Berry
Mitchell Haber
Marilyn Harper
Shirley Heintz
David Yingling, Sr.
Harry E. Parr, Sr.
Naomi Parr
Harry E. Parr, Sr.
Dale Cashman
William Clark
Florence & Bernard Farrell
Don Meineke
Mary Jane Meineke



Blessed rest:
James Singer
Allen Cochran



BAPTISMS
Abigail Marie Bender
Daughter of Gregory and Mary Beth (Johnson)

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 1

5:30: Fr. Scott w/Dcn Zinck

Sunday, March 2

7:30: Fr. Stretch w/Dcn Zinck

9:00: Fr. Scott w/Dcn Zinck

9:30: Fr. Lawrence

10:30: Fr. George

11:00: Fr. Lawrence

12:00: Fr. George

SUNDAY COLLECTION

February 16_____ \$33,298

January e-giving_____ \$27,722

LITURGICAL BITS & BYTES

And with Your Spirit

Have you gotten used to the new response yet? Instead of saying, "And also with you," now we say, "And with your spirit." Is that beginning to become familiar? This change of phrase puts us more in unity with the Sacred Scripture. Four of the epistles conclude with phrases similar to, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit." So we are echoing the words used to conclude these letters to the various Christian communities.

SHARE LUNCH WITH THE LORD

Each Lenten Thurs, March 6–April 10, from 12:10-12:50pm, a local Scripture expert will lead a free reflection on the upcoming Sunday Gospel at St. Henry Parish. A choice of soup and drinks will be provided, or bring a brown-bag lunch. Deepen your appreciation of the Lenten Scriptures as together we reflect on their impact in our lives. Speakers include Dennie Stieritz, Mary Wlodarski, Fr. Dan Meyer, Sr. Carol Gaeke, and Dave Riley. The series is co-sponsored by St. Charles, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Henry, Incarnation, and St. Leonard. Feel free to attend one or all of the presentations. Questions? Contact Mary Ehret at 434-9231.

THE LEAN ON ME COMMITTEE is in need of volunteers to help with occasional visits and meals. Please consider this much appreciated act of Christian charity. For more information contact: Pam Johnson at 885-0488 . Thank you.

TRACK SIGN-UPS

Registration for the Track Team will be held Sun, February 23 from 10-12:00 in the lobby of the Parish Activity Center. All Parish members in grades 1st through 8th are eligible to join. For more information call Bob Tomasoski (435-1147) or visit our website at incarnationtrack.net.

BABYSITTING CO-OP currently has openings for new members. We are looking for responsible, caring moms to share babysitting and friendship. Exchange hours instead of dollars and have loving moms watch your kids when you volunteer, run errands or go on a date nite. Our next meeting is Fri, Feb 28. For additional information, please contact Rosa Duncan 619-6123 or Janice Meyer at 433-9311.

WHO IS A DEACON? WHAT DOES A DEACON DO? WHY DO WE NEED DEACONS?

You are cordially invited to a meeting of interested men (and wives) to learn more about the role of deacon in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. If you have never attended an information meeting about the diaconate, this meeting will be very helpful as you consider a vocation to the diaconate or would just like to learn more about the ministry of deacons in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Besides discussing the role of deacons (and wives), the meetings will include information about the requirements for admission into the Deacon Formation Program. There will also be an explanation of the ongoing process of discernment to the diaconate and possible discernment methods.

Finally there will be time for you to ask any questions which are on your mind in order to help you to better understand the ministry of deacons.

Thurs, April 10, 7-8:30pm, Parish Center room 104

INCARNATION SCHOOL

Incarnation School is an excellent school that reflects the faith values that are important to your family. If you are interested in a Catholic education, please contact the Principal, Dr. Cheryl Reichel, for a meeting and tour of the school. You may contact our Registrar, Mrs. Kim Shield, 433-1051, x134, to begin the registration process. Visit our website at www.incarnation-school.com for more info.

Dear Parish Members,

I am excited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation because at baptism my parents shoe for time to become Catholic. Now, I am saying I choose to be a part of God's family. I want God to lead me toward staying Catholic and I am making this decision. I am excited to continue on the path God has planned for me and it is uniquely mine.

8th Grade Confirmation Candidate

FISH FRY

Fri, March 14

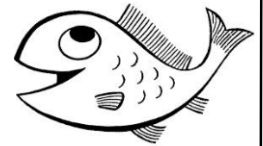
Carry out 5-6:30pm

Dine in 7-midnight

(over 21 only)

\$10/person in advance

\$15/person at the door



Advance tickets can ONLY be purchased two ways:

- Tickets will be sold on Sun, Mar 2 and Mar 9, in the school lobby from 9-1pm, and in the parish center lobby from 9-noon. Tickets will also be sold on Sat, Mar 8, in the school lobby from 6-7pm.
- Beginning Feb 25, tickets can be purchased at the school office or at the Pastoral Office M-F, from 9-3.

*Horse Races, Casino, Bingo,
Card Games of Chance & Silent Auction*

The Fish Fry needs volunteers!

Please sign up on the below link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COF48A5A82CA7FA7-incarnation>

or email Suzie Kreusch with questions
skreusch@woh.rr.com

Healing Mass February 26 - Mass begins at 6:30pm, Immaculate Conception Parish, 2300 S. Smithville Road Dayton, 252-9919

This Eucharist caters to the need for those among us who are in need of emotional, physical and mental healing. The session consists of celebration of the Eucharist and an extended laying of hands upon each individual by the priests present and the healing team at the parish. If nothing else, you will leave with a deep assurance of God's presence.

Alter Knight Out Fish Fry Fri, Feb 28, 7-Midnight, Cafeteria, gym and heated tents! Dine-in dinners will be served from 7-10pm (Carryout from 4:30-6:30pm) Come and enjoy all you can eat fish and trimmings, traditional beverages, a silent auction, adult games, Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, friends and FUN! Must be 21 to attend. Tickets prices are \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door. Located in the Alter High School cafeteria, gym and heated tents.

Stay in touch with your Catholic faith each day of the week by tuning into Sacred Heart Catholic Radio: 740 AM, 89.5 FM or online at sacredheartradio.com

Lenten Morning of Reflection Fri, March 7. 9-Noon. St. Charles Church. Father Steve Mondiek will speak about "Dealing with Temptation and Growing in Our Relationship with Christ." The Christ Child Society welcomes all to attend this free event starting with breakfast, followed by our speaker, and ending with Mass.

Questions: Contact Mary Ann Schoen at 294-1195.

30+ Catholic Singles Mardi Gras Dance featuring "Second Wind". Sat, March 1. 8pm-midnight. \$15 includes light appetizers, snacks, soft drinks and desserts. Beer & Wine will be sold. For more information email thirtypluscs@catholicweb.com Checkout our meetup group at <http://www.meetup.com/Cincinnati-NKY-30-Catholic-Singles/>

Give Your Spouse a Valentine Present Guaranteed to Fit! Couple Communication Workshop. Facilitated by Dr. Tom Giordano. March 6, 13, 20, 27. 7:15-9:15pm. Athenaeum of Ohio Bartlett Center. \$75 per couple. For a flyer or to RSVP by Feb. 26, email ltegge@athenaeum.edu or call 513.231.1200

Day of Caring Pancake Breakfast Sun, Feb 23, 10-2pm, Station House Restaurant, Franciscan Center. Adults and Children over 10: \$5/person, \$20 max per family, Children 10 and under: \$3. 100% of all ticket sales will go to the Foodbank and the Dayton Housing Coalition via Day of Caring.

Mardi Gras St. Leonard Faith Community Church, Auditorium, Sat, Mar 1, 6:30pm, \$20/person. Dinner, Dancing, Socializing. Music by the Shakertown Stompers. Contact the church office for reservations: 435-3626

Stirring The Flame of Faith Emmanuel Catholic Church Lenten Parish Mission, **March 10-12**. Presenter: **Mr. Steve Ray** is an intrepid traveler, expert on the Holy Land, Popular Catholic apologist, documentary producer, Bible teacher and best-selling author. Do not miss this chance to see Steve Ray in person on Monday and Tuesday of the Mission!

Dodgeball Tournament All high-school-aged youth - Gather your men's or co-ed teams of 6-10 players for Carroll Patriot Baseball's Annual Dodgeball Tournament, to be held on Sat, March 1, at 4PM in the Carroll HS Gyms. Compete for gifts, prizes and the traveling trophy! Pre-registration is \$75/team or \$90/team at the door. We are also accepting Carroll Alumni teams! To register, go to www.carrollhs.org/dodgeball2014. All proceeds benefit Carroll Patriot Baseball!

Catholic Medical Association Retreat The Bergamo Retreat Center. For All Health Care Providers and Administrators. March 28-30. "Intentional Discipleship: Forming a Personal Relationship with Jesus Christ". Fr. Paul J. Keller, O.P., The Athenaeum of Ohio. \$150 Single; \$225 Couple
Contact: Gary L. George, MD gary1956@woh.rr.com; 241-1989

Lay Ministry Formation Opportunities: Grow in faith, knowledge and skills. The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program equips men and women to evangelize and catechize more effectively in their families, communities and workplaces. Graduates serve as catechists, advocates for life, permanent deacons, staff members in parishes and non-profit agencies and volunteers in a variety of roles and settings. Non-degreed Certificate option classes are being held in McCarlyville next year. Call Deacon Hal Belcher at 419-305-5486 for more information or to set up an interview.

St. Patrick's Day Card Party The **Dayton Catholic Women's Club** invites you to its St. Patrick's Day Card Party on Sat, March 15, from 10am to 3pm; the \$25 lunch (\$10 tax deductible) of Stuffed Chicken or Vegetarian Strudel will be served at 12 noon at the Presidential Banquet Center, 4548 Presidential Way (off East David Road between Marshall & Bigger). Join friends and family members to play your favorite games in support of this fundraiser for the charitable work of DCWC. Please call Julianne McCain at 694-2176 prior to the March 10 deadline. Donations will be accepted for the money raffle as well. (Non-perishable foods & personal hygiene items will be accepted to donate to one of our charities.) For more info, you may also contact your parish liaison, Nancy Vergamini, 436-5807.

Support the Music Programs at Alter! Alter Music Association Annual Mulch Sale: March 22/23 and March 29/30 at Alter High School parking lot. Orders being taken now through March 29. Mulch orders may be picked-up or delivered. **Free delivery for orders placed by March 17** (\$10 per order for orders placed after April 9) All Natural, Supreme, Dark Hardwood Bark Mulch. Price per LARGE 3 cubic ft bag: \$5.75 for 1-15 bags, \$5.25 for 16-24 bags, \$5.00 for 25+bags. To Order, go online to www.AlterMA.org and click on 'Mulch Sale' or call 401-0011.

Fish Fry & Monte Carlo at Bishop Fenwick High School. The Athletic Association of Bishop Fenwick High School invites you to attend a **Fish Fry & Monte Carlo** on Fri, March 7, 7pm-midnight. Tickets are available for purchase in the Athletic Office or through coaches and student-athletes. Tickets are \$12/person in advance. Tickets are \$15/person the day of the event. There will also be carryout for \$8 (pay at the door). Carryout will take place from 5:30-6:30pm at the back doors by the band room. For additional questions contact the Athletic Office at (513) 423-0724.

Job Opportunity The Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford is seeking for a part-time kitchen assistant. Flexible work hours with some evening and weekend hours are required. Contact Pam Elsass at pelsass@jesuitspiritualcenter.com or call 513-248-3500 ext.22.

This Lent, don't sacrifice – DO MORE for your relationship! The best thing you can do for your marriage is to invest time and energy for it! Make your good marriage warmer and happier with a Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Marriage Encounter weekend in this area is April 25th -27th at the Crown Plaza in Dayton. Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. Look for upcoming weekends in 2014 at www.wrme.org or www.esharing.org. For more details or reservations call: Dave & Jan Stockelman at 1-800-547-1251 Code 00-OR- on the web at www.esharing.org

Catholic Relief Services Annual Conference at The University of Dayton: Imagine sitting as an innocent man on Ohio's Death Row waiting for your execution and a Catholic priest meets you and uses his previous training in the medical and legal field helps to exonerate you. This is the story that Fr. Neil Kookoote and Joe D'Ambrosio will share as keynote speakers at the annual Catholic Relief Services Global Solidarity Conference Sat, March 15, from 9am to 5:30pm at Kennedy Union on the University of Dayton campus. The conference will focus on the Catholic Teaching of the Consistent Ethic of Life. Presenters will discuss a variety of life issues, including abortion, Project Rachel, euthanasia, assisted suicide, domestic violence, bullying, gun control, ex-offender re-entry efforts, war and strife in Syria and the Gospel's call to each of us to respond through service and in love. Catechists can also obtain credit for the Justice and Peace course offered through the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. Visit www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction for a brochure and online registration or call 224-3026.

Region Two Fish Fry March 1, Corpus Christi, Our Lady of Mercy and Queen of Martyrs Fish Fry featuring fish prepared by the Corpus Christi Fryers, 6-11pm. This event will be held at the DECA Prep Rec Center (formerly Corpus Christi Rec Center), 249 Squirrel Rd. Menu includes fish, fries, sausage, coleslaw, baked beans, beer. Enjoy games of chance. Tickets are \$15 each and are available at the Parish Center, after the weekend Masses or at the door. Must be 21. Carry outs are \$10 and are available from 5:00-5:30(back door pickup only).

BLOOD DRIVE Mon, February 24, from 3-7pm in the Parish Center.

Register to give blood and receive a St. Patrick's Day t-shirt.

REQUIRED TO DONATE: A photo ID with your full name. Please bring your donor identification card with you if you have one. Must be 17 or older (16 with signed CBC parental consent form) weigh at least 110 lbs, and be in generally good health.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Adult volunteers needed bi-monthly to provide refreshments and visit with parishioners for a couple hours after they donate. Please contact Julie Belden at 478-7410 for more info.

Students wishing to earn service hours are welcome to bake cookies and recruit new blood donors (receive 1 hour service credit for every two dozen cookies baked, and/or for each first time donor that registers). Cookies may be dropped off at the parish center 3pm the day of the blood drive. Thank you.

To make an appointment visit www.donortime.com and enter sponsor code 813
For Questions about donating, call 1-800-388-GIVE.



HANDBELLS RINGERS!

There will be a one-day Handbell Institute on March 1 from 8:30am-5:30pm at St. Veronica Parish in Cincinnati. It will be directed by Donna Kinsey, a nationally known handbell clinician. Ringers of all ages are encouraged to attend.

Previous experience of ringing handbells or at least ability to read music is strongly recommended since this is only a one day workshop concluding with a concert prelude and ringing at their Sat 4pm Mass. For more information go to <http://www.npmcincinnati.org> then click on Handbell Intensive.

There will be a rehearsal at Incarnation in the choir room on Feb 22 from 10am-noon. Attendance is not required, but desired so everyone has a good grasp of the music prior to the workshop.

Please let me know if you are interested in attending so I can order music and register everyone as a parish. All fees will be paid by the parish.

Kevin Samblanet, Director of Music Kevin.samblanet@incarnation.catholic.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sun, Feb. 23, High School PREP, 7-8:30pm,
Parish Center 104

✝ *"Does God really listen to my prayers?"*
We will discuss why sometimes it seems like we pray for something so hard but then it doesn't happen and what that means in our faith!

✝ If you are not signed up for HS PREP but would like to come please join us tonight!

Tues, Feb. 25, Serving at St. Vincent's, 6-8:30pm, Community Room

✝ **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Please RSVP if you can so I know about how many people are coming (email or text is fine)

Thurs, Feb. 27, Centerville High School Bible Study, 7:10-7:40am, East 164

✝ Find out more about the Sunday readings

✝ We will have doughnuts or bagels!

✝ Reminder: We will not meet if we have a delay or a cancelation of school.

Thurs, Feb. 27, Youth Ministry Night, 7-9pm, Community Room

✝ Come for faith, fellowship, and fun! And bring a friend! ALL are welcome!

✝ Bring your bible if you can or you are welcome to use one of ours

✝ Reminder: We will not meet if we have a delay or a cancelation of school.

Mar 14-16, Youth Retreat: Forever Changed
Camp Kirkwood in Wilmington
\$75/person (financial assistance available)

**Youth Ministry contact Danny Dunn at Daniel.dunn@incarnation.catholic.org or text any inquires to 937-542-9134