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CHURCH of THE INCARNATION

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Registration

New parishioners are asked to contact the office.

A warm welcome to all.

Marriages

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

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).

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.

RCIA

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

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....Gal 1:6-12 • Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c • Lk 10:25-37
Tue.....Gal 1:13-24 • Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15 • Lk 10:38-42
Wed....Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 • Ps 117:1bc, 2 • Lk 11:1-4
Thu.....Gal 3:1-5 • (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 • Lk 11:5-13
Fri.....Gal 3:7-14 • Ps 111:1b-6 • Lk 11:15-26
Sat.....Gal 3:22-29 • Ps 105:2-7 • Lk 11:27-28
Sun.....Is 25:6-10a • Ps 23:1-6 • Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 • Mt 22:1-14

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When vintage time drew near... (Mt 21:34)

Rarely do the first and third readings on a given Sunday echo each other so explicitly as do the ones proclaimed today. In both readings, one from the prophet Isaiah and the other from the Gospel of Matthew, we are told of a vineyard being built with great care. The soil is prepared, a protective hedge is installed, the choicest vines are planted. A watchtower is built and a wine press dug out. All is in readiness. But grapevines generally produce fruit only after three years. Patience and proper pruning are required if a full yield is expected.

In the reading from Isaiah, then, we understand that the owner of the vineyard has cared for these vines for quite some time, seeing that they received proper sun and adequate water, protecting them and pruning them as needed to make sure that they had every chance to bear much good fruit. In the Gospel, the owner instead leases his vineyard to tenants, but they are charged with caring for it in much the same way, over at least a three-year period. He obviously trusted those tenants to care well for his beloved plants, and now returns to reap the harvest.

But what do these owners find? According to Isaiah, the vines have yielded worthless wild grapes, not suitable for making fine wine. Imagine the owner's disappointment, after all the care he has given those vines for three long years! Not willing to invest any more time or trouble in them, he tears down the hedge and allows the cattle to graze on the grapevines, utterly destroying them.

In the Gospel, the owner feels not just mere disappointment, but fury and rage. He watches as the once-trusted tenants attack and kill his servants, and finally, even kill his own son. The parallel with Israel's behavior toward the messengers and prophets sent to them repeatedly by God is inescapable. So the allegory is established, and the trap is about to spring shut!

In the prophetic account, Isaiah announces that, "The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant." Full of disappointment and concern, exasperation and anger, the owner still remembers and cherishes his people. Not so, exactly, in the Gospel. There, the owner announces that, "the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." It is a dire warning to the chief priests and elders of the people, depicted as the tenants who have failed to return adequate "produce" to God. And, as human beings, it is our temptation to focus on the destruction to come, forgetting that it is not a punishment "caused" by God, but instead is the logical consequence of the vineyard's lack of fruitfulness.

Every message in the Bible is intended for us—for me and for you. Far better for us to remember, when we hear these words, that God has cared for us tenderly and carefully, protecting and nourishing us not just throughout our own lives, but throughout our lives as God's people, a "lifetime" that extends back into the mists of history. We are God's "cherished plants" and it is our challenge and our destiny to bear good fruit in God's world. That is the "natural outcome" of the love and care that God has given us. How do we do that? Just look toward the second reading of this Sunday, where St. Paul advises us to, "have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil 4:6-7)

Marilyn Porcino, Pastoral Associate

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 6

6:30—Elmore Snyder (d)
8:30—Richard Maurer (d)

Tuesday, October 7

6:30—Matt McCormick (d)
8:30—Helen Boyles (d)

Wednesday, October 8

6:30—John Rizzo (d)
8:30—Ken Israel (d)

Thursday, October 9

6:30—Kelley Syron (d)
8:30—Leonard Bazelak (d)

Friday, October 10

6:30—Winifred Schneider (d)
9:00—Peter Stief Family (d)

Saturday, October 11

8:30—Dave Israel (d)

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 11

5:30: Fr. Stretch

Sunday, October 12

7:30: Fr. Brian

9:00: Fr. Brian

9:30: Fr. Stretch

10:30: Fr. George

11:00: Fr. Stretch

12:00: Fr. George

SUNDAY COLLECTION

September 28 ___ \$37,164

St. Vincent de Paul ___ \$6,757

Thank you to all who gave generously to the monthly St. Vincent DePaul collection last Sunday. You are helping the needy meet their difficult challenges.

Also, please consider if God is calling you to serve in a more personal way. Our parish SVDP is in need of people to serve as either call-takers or home visitors. The time commitment is typically 2 days per month. Please contact John Hogseth, 885-7290, for more information. The meetings, open to all parishioners, are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

ATTENTION LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

New schedules are available in the Sacristies.
Please pick up your copy.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 5!

PLEASE JOIN IN OUR EVENTS TO CELEBRATE LIFE:

- ❖ **All Babies Count Baby Shower:** Incarnation's Respect Life Committee will be hosting the annual Baby Shower to benefit Dayton Right to Life and Elizabeth's New Life Center. We will collect unwrapped gifts after all masses on Oct 4/5 in the Parish Center, or outside the school. *Any gift of diapers, gift cards, or baby items are welcome!*
- ❖ **Respect Life Table Display:** A table display with free CD's and literature on various Respect Life issues will be set up in the Parish Center after all Masses on Oct 5. Please come by and browse. Help yourself to our selection.
- ❖ **The National Life Chain** is Sun, Oct 5; 2-3:30PM. Join us and the Dayton community as we show our support for Life through silent prayer. Pick up a sign in the northwest corner of the Town and Country parking lot at Stroop and Far Hills roads. Afterwards, we will pray the rosary as a group. We will also be collecting food items for local food pantries and/or baby items for local pregnancy care centers.

For more information/questions on these 3 events please email or call, Beth McKenna mckennafamily.87@gmail.com, 436-7522.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY Election time is drawing near and we need to pray for our country and the candidates for offices locally and nationally. Please set aside Mon, Oct 6 and Mon, Nov 3 at 7PM in Church to pray the Patriotic Rosary. Our country is counting on you.

LEISURE CLUB MEETING will be held on Oct 9, in the Parish Center beginning at 10:15. Social time will be followed by regular meeting. Then, there will be a discussion on healthcare and a luncheon of sandwiches and salads. Any questions, call Irene 291-1346 or Skip 1-770-713-9061.

BLOOD DRIVE Mon, Oct 13, from 3-7pm in the Parish Center. *Register to give blood and receive a free "Fight Cancer" 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 110lbs, 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 Liz Kramer at 433-4206 for more info on this volunteer opportunity. 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.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL FOOD DRIVE:

When: Saturday and Sunday, October 25 & 26

Where: Incarnation parking lot, before and after all masses

What: Non-perishable food items or cash donations

Who: To benefit the St. Mary's Food Pantry

Why: *Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and will be repaid in full.*
Proverbs 19:17

Growing Together

Every parish has liturgical weeds. Only the names will change. We might differ in our description of just who the liturgical weeds are in our parish, but we all feel that there are weeds and there are wheat. (The weeds are usually the people who disagree with our point of view!) We will never arrive at a time when everyone agrees with everything. Because worship is something we have all done since early childhood, we all have opinions about how it should be done or memories of what particular experience from the past touched us or turned us off. We will never agree totally, but we need to know that that's OK. Jesus seems to tell us, "Grow together and don't judge anyone until harvest time." The important thing is this: the Father calls us all not just to worship together in Jesus, but to live and love as Jesus—even in spite of the conflicts that we encounter along the way.

INCARNATION SCHOOL

433-1051

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 a tour of the school. You may contact our Registrar, Mrs. Kim Shields, 433-1051, x134, to begin the registration process. Visit our website at www.incarnation-school.com for more info.

Dear Incarnation Parishioners,

Throughout this year I have had many chances to grow in my Faith. I have participated in many areas of service and I learned that I really want to do more service. While I prepared for my confirmation, I talked a lot about my faith with my parents and siblings. I learned a lot about them and really grew in understanding. Religion class and my Confirmation retreat also helped me grow spiritually. I was excited to receive the gift of wonder and awe for Confirmation. I also received a crucifix necklace that reminds me daily of my relationship with God.

Brendan

BAPTISMS

Hadley Jane Shafer

Daughter of Justin and Erin (Hehl)

Molly Jo Stacey

Daughter of Cody and Tarra (Denman)



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Family Rosary Rally Archbishop Schnurr will be the presider at the tenth annual Family Rosary Rally on Sun, Oct 12, at the UD arena. The prelude music will start at 2:30PM followed at 3PM with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the live rosary, and closing with Benediction. Please join other families throughout the Dayton area in this powerful public family prayer event as we pray for peace in our community, peace in our families, for the sanctity of life, and for an increase in vocations.

40 Days for Life Our Fall campaign runs from Sept 24 to Nov 2. We will be praying at the Women's Medical Center at 1401 E. Stroop Rd. every day during the campaign. Please set aside an hour or more during this 6 weeks to pray for the women and their babies. Abortion changes the lives of the mother and other family members forever. Rallies: Sun, Oct. 12 2PM Speaker: Seth Drayer
Sun, Nov 2 2PM Speaker: Bryan Kemper

A Weekend of Healing and Hope featuring Immaculee Ilibagiza will be held at St. Luke in Beavercreek Oct 17 (4-9pm) and Oct 18 (8a-1:30p). Space is limited but still available. Immaculee facilitates all retreat sessions and will share her powerful witness of God's amazing presence amid the Rwandan genocide and how forgiveness not only heals hearts, but transforms lives. For further information please contact Lisa Donigian: aramlisa@aol.com or 937-901-2727.

Theology on Tap Oregon Express, Thurs, Oct 9, 7:30PM, Fr. Barry Stechschulte, *Doing God's Will in Your Life*

One winner – One Choice! Purchase a Golden Ticket for the Alter High School Arts Wing! Each ticket is \$100 and will benefit the completion of the capital campaign! The lucky winner will choose between a trip to Hawaii, Tuscany or the Final Four championship game. Winner is drawn Oct 10 during half time of the Alter football game. Please contact Pam Miller at pam.miller@roberthalf.com or 248-8626 or Kim Miller at jkvmiller@sbcglobal.net or 673-6698 Only 500 chances being sold!

Mental Illness Awareness Week Oct 5-11. National Day of Prayer celebrated at 5:30pm, Oct 7, at The Castle, 133 N. Main St, Centerville. Faith-based community initiative to bring awareness and breakdown barriers surrounding mental illness. Meet Amy Simpson, author of "Mental Illness and the Church's Mission", community grill-out, and music. For more information, call 885-5785.

Night at the Races St. Leonard's Knights of Columbus Council 10215 will be hosting a Night at the Races Party. Post time is Fri, Oct 10, in the St. Leonard Undercroft. Dinner is from 6-7pm with horse racing and betting starting at 7pm. Your ticket includes Dinner by Chef Michael, a ticket in a reverse raffle for \$500 and a chance for two Bengal tickets. Proceeds will benefit Elizabeth New Life Center.

Forgiveness after losing his daughter in the Oklahoma City Bombing Bud Welch, whose 23-year-old daughter Julie was killed along with 167 other in the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995, will speak about his journey through anger, pain, hatred and revenge to ultimately reach forgiveness and a strong desire to end the death penalty when he speaks at the annual Distinguished Speaker program in Dayton. St. Charles Parish will host the event sponsored by Catholic Social Services, the Archdiocesan Catholic Social Action Office and Weavers of Justice Wednesday, Oct. 15, beginning with a light supper at 5:30pm, followed by music at 6:30pm and Mr. Welch's presentation at 7pm. For sponsorships, reservations and information, call 800-300-2937 ext. 1141 or visit www.cssmv.org/events



House of Santa Mouse Art & Fine Craft Boutique, Oct 16-18, Better than ever with unique art & crafts, delicious food, deluxe raffle baskets and overflowing holiday spirit! Thurs, Preview Oct 16, 4-9pm, \$6 for wine & appetizers. Fri, Oct 17, 10am-9pm, free admission. Sat, Oct 18, 10am-3pm, free admission. Credit cards now accepted! To learn more and obtain a **discount coupon** visit www.houseofsantamouse.webs.com. And like us on Facebook. St. John Neumann Church, 12191 Mill Rd., Cincinnati, 45240

IME Event at Immaculate Conception October 15 at 7:00 PM in MSH Discernment: Unraveling the Mystery of Knowing God's Will

It is a struggle we all have been through: How do we know what God's will is? Many Christians struggle with making decisions simply because sometimes both the options are equally good or they must discern between the lesser of two evil situations. Have you ever wondered what discernment of God's will means? Do you want to find out how to discern God's will for your life? What tools are available to discern God's will? This session will explore the basics of Christian discernment in a way that is straightforward with practical suggestions for developing the gift of discernment in your own life through a personal encounter with Jesus.

Carroll High School offers Chalk Talk every Wednesday in October from 7:30 - 9PM in the school library. These are open forum conversations in a small group atmosphere to help parents of 8th graders determine if Carroll is a good fit for their child. RSVP required. Details at www.carrollhs.org/chalktalk.



South Dayton Catholic Lacrosse Club (SDCLC) 2015 Signups - Come join the "fastest" growing sport in America. SDCLC signups for the SPRING 2015 season are now underway on our website, <http://www.southdaytoncatholiclax.org/Registration/>. We are signing up for boys 3 thru 8 grade teams. Evaluation/new player day in Nov. (TBD), please watch the website for more information.

10/1 - 10/21	New Club members
10/22 - 11/13	\$20 late fee
11/14	Registration Closes

Volunteer to Help Homebound with Leaf and Snow Removal The City of Centerville is compiling lists of individuals, groups, and organizations willing to assist elderly and disabled Centerville residents with leaf-raking and snow removal at no charge or for a fee. The lists are maintained by City staff and available to residents. Once residents receive the lists, it is their responsibility to make the necessary arrangements. To volunteer, list a business or receive the resource list, call Centerville City Offices, 433-7151.



Brunner Literacy Center's "All Soles 5K Run/Walk," which will be held on **Sat, Nov 1**, at Englewood Metropark. Registration forms are available at <http://www.brunnerliteracy.org/events/> or by contacting the Brunner Literacy Center at **567-9600**. The entry fee is \$25 through Oct. 15, or \$30 afterward. Stop by the BLC to see what your participation is supporting—visit us at 4825 Salem Avenue, Dayton, Monday-Thursday, 8am-6pm. Raffle tickets are also available. We hope to see you there!

Jesuit Spiritual Center Retreats

Thomas Merton Retreat, Oct 17-19. Presented by Christopher Pramuk, *Wisdom in Our Life of Prayer*. Join with us as Christopher Pramuk facilitates a sustained meditation on Wisdom-Sophia, the divine presence alive in the world, as bearer of mercy and hope, drawing from the life and witness of Thomas Merton. Based on Dr. Pramuk's widely acclaimed book: *Sophia: The Hidden Christ of Thomas Merton*. Christopher Pramuk lives in Cincinnati, where he teaches theology and spirituality at Xavier University.

Finding God through Visual Art, Oct 25-26. Presented by Holly Schapker and Richard Bollman, SJ. This is a weekend exploration into our awareness of God, the sacred, the soul's desire. We work with paper and beautiful colors, letting our hand and eye guide us to how life feels, what it speaks to us. You don't have to be an artist to enjoy this process. It is easy, in the silence, with simple guidance, music and brief scriptures and poetry, to find your way into discoveries and prayer. Whether this process is familiar already, or completely new, come to find what's here for you, in the beauty of the autumn season, in nature and in your imagination. Cost of the retreat is \$150.00

PARENTING SERIES WITH DR. GREGORY RAMEY

Dr. Gregory Ramey, Child Psychologist and Executive Director of the Dayton Children's Hospital Center for Pediatric Mental Health Resources, will share his parenting expertise in two sessions. Session I, "Secrets of Effective Parenting," will be held on Thurs, October 23, from 7-8:30PM. Dr. Ramey will discuss the keys to raising happy, responsible, and moral children. Session II, "Special Topics in Parenting," will be held on Thurs, November 6, from 7-8:30PM. Topics may include helping kids manage their electronic worlds, maintaining a balance to avoid overscheduled kids, and understanding the role of faith in your child's development. Both sessions will be held at St. Henry Parish Activity Center, located at 6696 Springboro Pike, Dayton, 45449. Admission is free of charge, although donations will be welcome. Childcare will be available. To register for one or both sessions, contact Vicki Hume at 937-433-0128, x206, or vhume@sfacc.org. Registration is due the Monday before each presentation. Sponsored by Church of the Incarnation, St. Francis of Assisi Church, St. Henry Parish, and St. Leonard Faith Community.



YOUTH MINISTRY



Youth Bible Study
Wed, Oct 8, 7:10-7:40am,
CHS East IMC

- ✝ Come find out more about the Bible and your faith.
- ✝ We will look at the upcoming readings for Sunday's mass.
- ✝ We will have doughnuts/bagels afterwards.



Youth Ministry Night
Thurs, Oct 9, 7-9PM,
Community Room

Topic: Stories of Faith

- ✝ Jesus shared his life in parables and changed the world by his stories of faith. Bring a friend!
- ✝ This night will focus on the times when we have discovered God in our life.
- ✝ ALL high school students welcome!

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