

CHOLY CROSS-CMMACULATA

Mt. Adams Cincinnati, Ohio "The Church of the Steps"

November 5, 2017

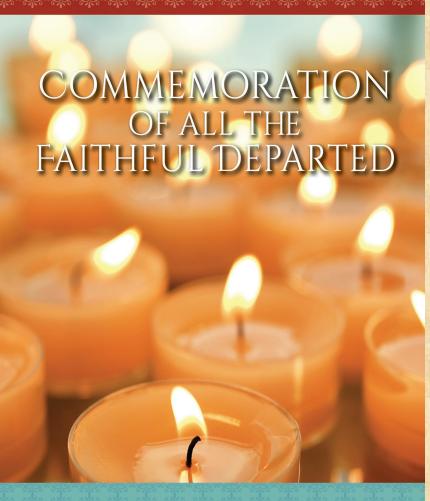
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Mission Statement

We are a Catholic community
centered on Jesus Christ,
present in the celebration
of the Eucharist.
We worship and glorify God
through prayer, scripture
reflection, participation in the
Church's sacraments and a
special devotion to the
Blessed Virgin Mary,
the patron of our parish.

As one Christ-centered family, we are responsive to the current and future needs of our parish, the Mt. Adams neighborhood, the greater Cincinnati community, and the world.



"And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day." -Jn 6:39-40



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WORSHIP & SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Monday: 6:30 p.m. T-W-F: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday Communion Service: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30-4:00 p.m. (or by appointment)

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Check website or call Parish Office

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor: Father Len Fecko
Deacon Tracy Jamison
Deacon Tom Graber

Pastoral Assistant: Elaine Fuell
Office Manager: Letty Hater Schroer
Receptionist: Sharon Bertsch
Parish Accountant: Thea Padgett
Choir Director: J.C. Rocha

Maintenance: Eric Turner, Debbie Yacchari
Wedding Music & Liturgy Coordinator:
Blake Callahan

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Steve Nickolas, Chair

Amy Obermeyer, Recording Secretary

Mike Brill Laura Connelly
Georgia Curran Gregg Herrmann
Susan Miller Alice Rogers-Uhl
Tina Russo Chris Ruth

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Kathy Mayer, Chair

Heather Turner, Recording Secretary

Dennis Daugherty Marilyn Ormsbee

Eric Koren Pete Prokop
Bill Moran Eric Soper



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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

| SAT 4 | Vigil Mass 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 4:30 p.m. Mass People of the Parish | |
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| SUN 5 | 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8:00 a.m. Mass Celeste & Ralph Schneider (Carol Smith) 10:30 a.m. Mass Marcella Elfers (Spaeth Family) | |
| MON 6 | Weekday | 6:30 p.m. Mass Holy Souls in Purgatory (JM) | |
| TUES 7 | Weekday | 8 a.m. Mass Ed Schultz (Joe Rippe) | |
| WED 8 | Weekday | 8 a.m. Mass Schneider & Smith Families (Carol Smith) | |
| THURS 9 | Dedication of the Lateran Basilica | 8 a.m. No Mass Communion Service | |
| FRI 10 | St. Leo the Great, Pope Doctor of the Church | 8 a.m. Mass Dot Sweeney (Riesenbeck Family) | |
| SAT 11 | Vigil Mass 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 4:30 p.m. Mass People of the Parish | |
| SUN 12 | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8:00 a.m. Mass Living & Deceased Members of Comer & Scully Families (Mary Ann Comer) 10:30 a.m. Mass Living & Deceased Current & Past Members of the Military | |



FOR Nov 11 & 12

Saturday 4:30

Sacristan: Georgia Curran

Server: Katlyn Obermeyer

Lector: Marsha Bayes

EM: Georgia Curran

Kevin Harris

Sunday 8:00

Sacristan: Cliff Reifel

Server: Bob Schroer

Lector: Jim Goldschmidt

Don Capannari

EM: Linda Capannari

Elaine Fuell

Sunday 10:30

Sacristan: Kathy Mayer

Server: Noah Turner

Lector: Armed Forces Sabbath

Armed Forces Sabbath

EM: Glen Graf, Jenny Graf

John Graf, Jim Horrigan

Collection Counters:

Jerry Fuell, Elaine Fuell

Mike Brill



Thank You!

COLLECTION REPORT Oct. 28 & 29, 2017

Sunday Collection \$2,791.00

Monthly EFT/Credit Card \$.00
Other Revenue \$.00
Votive Candles \$83.00

Total Regular Revenue \$2,874.00



A PRAYER FOR AUTUMN DAYS

- adapted from Joyce Rupp

God of the seasons, there is a time for everything;
there is a time for dying at a time for rising.
We need your grace and courage to enter into the conversion process.

God of Autumn, the trees are saying their goodbyes to green, letting go of what has been.

We, too, have our moments of surrender. Help us to let go.

God of fallen leaves that lay in colored patterns upon the ground, our lives have their own particular patterns of growth.

God of misty days and harvest-moon nights, there is always a dimension of mystery and wonder in our lives, always the need to recognize your power-filled mystery.

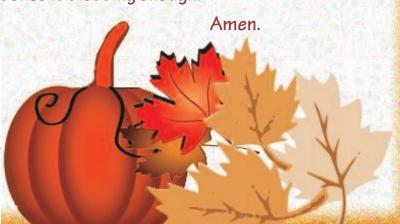
God of the harvest and fields of ripened grain, there are many gifts of growth within this season of surrender. Harvest must be waited for in faith and hope.

Grant us the patience when we do not see the blessings.

We know that you are our faithful companion on this journey.

Your presence is blessing enough.





Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

Dorothy M. Sweeney

Regina L. Clark

Patrick J. Valant Sr.

Debora M. Sandmann

Mary Ann Waldbillig

Edward J. Schultz

Elizabeth A. Garland

Dante 7. Vacca

Estella J. Glacken

Mary Ann Sweeney

November 23, 2016

December 26, 2016

January 12, 2017

March 6, 2017

April 2, 2017

May 7, 2017

June 6, 2017

June 19, 2017

June 29, 2017

July 23, 2017



May the choirs of angels come to greet you;

May they lead you to paradise.

May the Lord enfold you with His mercy,

May you find eternal life.

Scripture Readings for the Week of November 5, 2017

Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10 Ps 131:1-3 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Mt 23:1-12

Monday:Rom 11:29-36Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36Lk 14:12-14Tuesday:Rom 12:5-16bPs 131:1bcde-3Lk 14:15-24Wednesday:Rom 13:8-10Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9Lk 14:25-33Thursday:Rom 15:14-21Ps 98:1-4Lk 16:1-8

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94 Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 145:2-5, 10-11 Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Mt 25:1-13



Observances This Week

Monday, November 6: Weekday
Tuesday, November 7: Weekday
Wednesday, November 8: Weekday

Thursday, November 9: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Friday, November 10: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Saturday, November 11: St. Martin of Tours

Sunday, November 12: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Congratulations to these recently married couples...

Caitlin Dombart & Andrew Barger, October 14, 2017

Lauren Myers & Ken Shumate, October 21, 2017

Shannon Coffey & Joe Dahm, October 21, 2017

Catherine Barnard & Michael McManus, October 27, 2017

Arlene Tipton & John Shuster, October 28, 2017

Thank You for your Generosity!

Holy Cross-Immaculata parishioners contributed \$994 to the 2017 World Mission Sunday collection. The parish will match that amount and send in a check to the Mission Office for \$2000.



Armed Forces Sabbath Mass

Next Sunday
November 12, 2017
10:30 Mass
Reception after Mass







From the Pastor's Desk...

I have returned from my annual retreat refreshed and renewed! I spent three days at Notre Dame where I spent a great deal of time in prayer at the grotto. Then I spent a week in Celina, Ohio, enjoying the beauty of Grand Lake St. Mary and visiting the Shrine at Maria Stein, OH. And finally, I spent two days in Oxford, Ohio at Hueston Woods. I also had the chance to attend the fall concert of the Miami University Collegiate Chorale and Men's Glee Club. I am grateful to Fathers Matt Gamber, Ray Larger and Jim Meade for helping out while I was away.

Every year in October, the priests of the Archdiocese must submit a form to Bishop Binzer stating our intentions regarding our ministerial assignment for the next year. I met with Bishop Binzer this week and told him that, with the grace of God, I plan to complete my six-year term at Holy Cross-Immaculata. I did discuss with him my ongoing medical concerns, especially the weakness in my left leg. Because of my stroke, I tend to drag my leg when I walk. I recently began another round of physical therapy. Sam, my therapist, confirmed something I have wondered about for quite some time: my left leg is slightly shorter than my right leg, which also causes me to be off balance when I walk. Dr. Hoke has written an order so that I can be fitted for orthotics or specially made shoes. I may start wearing the same kind of clodhoppers that Fr. Stan used to wear!

Every October all parishes are asked to make a count of the number of people who attend Mass each weekend. The average attendance at HCl is as follows:

2016: 4:30: 80 8:00: 63 10:30: 113 Total per weekend: 256 2017: 4:30: 75 8:00: 46 10:30: 101 Total per weekend: 222

As you can see, our numbers are down slightly. However, the average weekly attendance goes hand-in-hand with the number of active "family units" on our parish roster. Attendance for weddings during the month of October increased from 564 last year to 907 this year. We are now having more weddings on Fridays and Sundays. I do not believe that the drop in attendance is a cause for alarm, but I will be addressing this issue with both the Parish Council and Finance Council.

Fortunately, the financial support we receive from parishioners and visitors has remained consistent. I am happy to announce that recently Holy Cross-Immaculata Parish recently received several large financial contributions. We are grateful for a \$25,000 donation received from The Simons Family Charitable Fund requested by Mr. John Simons Jr. and Mrs. Margo Simons. Mr. & Mrs. Simons are not registered members of the parish. The bank that issued the check was not permitted to provide us with any information about them so that we could send a letter of thanks. If anyone knows them or knows how to contact them, please let me know so that I can send a personal note to them. Meanwhile, let us all offer a prayer asking God to bless them!

Another kind and thoughtful parish couple also made a contribution in the amount of \$10,000 in addition to the annual \$3,000 donation they make each year. As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, we can certainly offer our thanks to all our parishioners who support the parish financially as well as those who support the parish by way of the service they provide through parish ministries.