

PASTORAL REGION ONE

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Weddings, RCIA/RCIC Call the offices 937-268-6697

Baptisms: Do you need your child Baptized Please call the Parish Office at 937 268 6697

Deacon Ken Stewart & Victor Obasuyi instructors

Regional Confessions: Saturdays 4pm or by appointment

Send your Bulletin Announcements to:

admin@unitedinhope.org or info@unitedinhope.org on **Monday**

Sixth Sunday of Easter



- Every Family of Parishes will form people to embrace stewardship as a way of life.
- Every Family of Parishes will actively promote vocational discernment.
- Every Family of Parishes will create and implement a plan that ministers to all persons in every season of life and every stage in the process of evangelization.
- Every Family of Parishes will have an Evangelization Team, overseen by the pastor and led by competent and qualified staff.
- Every Family of Parishes must offer support to their communities through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy and promote a culture of life, charity, and justice.
- Every Family of Parishes will incorporate principles of Catholic Social Teaching into faith formation efforts for youth and adults.
- Every Family of Parishes will promote intercultural competence and facilitate the participation of all people in the life of the Church.

The Current Reality

As we know from the [current reality report](#) created in the strategic planning phase of Beacons of Light, the average Sunday Mass in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati utilizes less than 40% of the church building.

After further analysis including attendance figures from October 2021, projected numbers of priests to be assigned to each Family, the current Mass schedules of each Family, the capacity of the church buildings, and the availability of retired priests, we know a bit more about the work ahead to ensure vibrant Eucharistic liturgies.

- Between 2019 and 2021 we had a total decline of Sunday attendance throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati of 32,955, a loss of 25% from 133,533 in October of 2019. While we've rebounded from even more dire numbers in 2020, we have a long way to go to return just to our attendance in 2019.

- 138 of our 208 parish churches (66%) utilize less than 40% of the church building on Sunday.
- Of our 57 Families of Parishes, only 17 will need no change whatsoever to the schedule of Sunday Mass or the increased assistance of retired priests.
- 78 parishes would benefit from a reduction of at least one Sunday Mass to facilitate a sustainable schedule within the new Family on July 1.
- 65 parishes will need both a reduction of at least one Sunday Mass AND the increased assistance of a retired priest to ensure a feasible schedule for the Family of Parishes
- Thankfully, only 4 Families (including 20 parishes) will need radical change to their Sunday Mass schedules in the near future.

You can explore more analysis of the current reality regarding Mass schedules and facility utilization of our parish churches.

Visit Family of Parishes

As we prepare to be the family of Parishes beginning July 1, 2022, we are asking everyone to take time to visit a location or more of our family members.

Corpus Christy

527 Forest Avenue,

Saturdays 4:30pm

Our Lady of Mercy

Dayton

533 Odlin Ave Dayton

Sunday 9:00am

Queen of Martyrs 4144 Cedar Ridge Rd Mass Sunday 11am



SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS SUMMARY REPORT

In January and February 2022, we conducted numerous meetings in support of the synod process. These meetings were held in every deanery across the archdiocese as well as by several prayer groups, religious orders, and universities... There were many ideas and thoughts expressed in the meetings, and this report, which has been submitted to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), is a synthesis of these. **To read the report go to:**

www.catholicaoc.org/synod

St. Augustine & St. Benedict the Moor Churches: Pastoral Region One May 22, 2022



REGION ONE LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

[SA] St. Augustine [SB] St. Benedict

May 21 3:45p [SB] Confessions
May 21 4:30pm [SB] Regional Parishioners
May 22 8:30am [SA] Myron & Margo Shapiro (Anniversary)
May 22 10:30am [SB] Christine Brown

YOUR STEWARSHIP THANK YOU

ST. AUGUSTINE WEEKLY COLLECTION

May 8: Collection: \$1920, Education \$20

ST. BENEDICT WEEKLY COLLECTION

May 14: Collection: \$2,746., Cath Relief \$115, Plant sales \$325, Maintenance \$47



ST. BENEDICT MINISTERS SCHEDULE

MAY 22ND – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reader – Janet Harden
2nd Reader – Michael Stitts
Petitions – Victor O'Basuyi
Extraordinary Ministers – Victor O'Basuyi, Emmett Orr, Carolyn Day

MAY 29TH – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER OR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

1st Reader – Annette Young
2nd Reader – Nigel Tate
Petitions – Judy Baker
Extraordinary Ministers – Victor O'Basuyi, Mary O'Basuyi, Susan Smith

Reminder

St Augustine Rosary is in person every Wednesday at 6:30pm.

Change in Dial in Number for Rosary

New Dial-In Number: 6677701427

Access Code: 556136

Rosary time is every Monday at 11am. Join your church family in praying for the community and each other.



Pray for our sick and Shut-Ins

Mae Wilkinson, Kenneth Bronston, Jessie Campbell Helen Spanish, Pat bell, Betty Jones, Susie Roberts, Angelina Matin, Nancy Green, Mary Dudley, Priscilla Moon, Annena Younger, Keno Hampton, Sherman Mosley, Juanita Newell, Robert Florence, Rita Ellicott, Loure Hayes, Maxine Brooks, Renee' Raisch, Don Hoog and Ray Metzger.

Nursing Homes

Eddie Weaver Mary Scott
Roberta Hickman Heartland of Kettering

TASTE OF THE SHRINE | MAY 26 | 5:00 PM - 8:30PM

On Thursday, May 26th, from 5pm – 8:30pm, the Maria Stein Shrine will host the second annual Taste of the Shrine! This unique event will give attendees the opportunity to enjoy the historic beauty and charm of the Shrine while sampling some of the finest food and drink available in God's country. Due to the huge success last year, we have moved this event to the Shrine Courtyard with plenty of room and seating. Participating vendors include Bella's Italian Grille, Brew Nation Smokehouse, Do Good Restaurant, GR8 Vines Winery, Mariachis Mexican, Lake Rat Brewery, Winery at Versailles, and Winans Chocolates + Coffees.

In addition, there will be a \$1,000 raffle drawing during the event at 7:00pm. Any Heritage Day Celebration tickets purchased between August 1, 2021 and May 26, 2022 are entered into the drawing.

Food & Drink tickets and Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Shrine, online (mariasteinshrine.org/event-registration) or by calling 419-925-4532.

ST PEREGRINE RELIC VENERATION | MAY 28 | 10:45 – 11:15AM

In addition to the large Cancer Prayer Service offered three times a year, the Maria Stein Shrine offers St. Peregrine Devotions after the 10am Saturday Mass on the fourth Saturday of each month. This short service includes praying the chaplet of St. Peregrine and veneration of his relic.

CATHOLIC SPEAKER TO PRESENT AT THE SHRINE | JUNE 9 | 7:00PM

Let your faith arise as you hear nationally recognized Catholic speaker, Paul Zuccarelli, along with his wife, Beth, give their testimony. Paul suffered nine cardiac arrests and was healed on Pentecost Sunday in 2017. He now lives to witness to God's love, healing, and mercy. Paul's book *Faith Understood* will be available for purchase after their presentation, along with a question-and-answer time. This is a free event.

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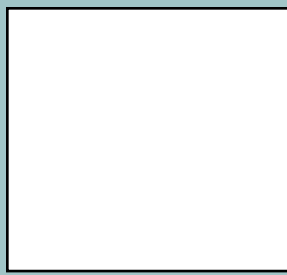
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