

January 4, 2026

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Our Vision

“We, the members of the Holy Spirit Family of Parishes, will foster discipleship by making the Eucharist the center of our lives as we form, live, and share our faith.”



Corpus Christi



Our Lady of Mercy

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat., January 3, 2026 The Most Holy Name of Jesus

4:30 p.m. at OLOM

4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., January 4, 2026 The Epiphany of the Lord8:30 a.m. at St. A David Emrick +
 Peter Shears, Jr. +

9:00 a.m. at CC

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Ronald Eugiene White +

Mon., January 5, 2026 (No Mass or Communion Service)St. John Neumann, BishopTues., January 6, 2026St. Andre Bessette, Religious

8:30 a.m. at CC

Wed., January 7, 2026St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

8:30 a.m. OLOM

Thurs., January 8, 2026

8:30 a.m. QM

Fri., January 9, 2026 (No Mass or Communion Service)Sat., January 10, 2026

4:30 p.m. at CC

4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., January 11, 2026 The Baptism of the Lord8:30 a.m. at St. A Alma & Don Emrick, Sr. +
9:00 a.m. at OLOM
10:30 a.m. at St. B
11:00 a.m. at QM Nancy McEldowney +

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Jan. 10, 2026 4:30 p.m. at CC

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lector:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Saturday, Jan. 10, 2026 4:00 p.m. at St. BNote: New time Change

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lectors/Readers:

Petitions: Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026 8:30 a.m. at St. A

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lector: Tim Pheiffer

Eucharistic Ministers: Joan Cameron, Mary Hickle,
Jim Adkins, Toni Rogers

Server: Marie Klotz

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026 9:00 a.m. at OLOM

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lectors:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026 10:30 a.m. at St. B

Presider: Fr. Benoit

1st Reader – Jim Lorow

2nd Reader – Sharon Hairston

Petitions – Deacon Victor O'Basuyi

Extraordinary Ministers –

Tracy Henderson, Sylvia Orr, Dominique Akpore (R)

Emmett Orr, Mary O'Basuyi, Annette Young (L)

Deacon Victor O'Basuyi (C)

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026 11:00 a.m. at QM

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lector: 1-Tom Carter 2-Cathy Hall

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Zeller / Teresa Huntley

Server: Carl Meyer

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays before the 4 p.m. Mass at SB,
or after daily Masses at CC, OLOM, QM
or by appointment.

• Prayer Chains, Sacrament of the Sick

Call office 937-268-6697

• Weddings, RCIA/RCIC:

Call office 937-268-6697

• Baptisms:

Call office 937-268-6697

Deacons Ken Stewart & Victor Obasuyi,
and Marty Phillips, instructors

HSFP Coordinator of Religious Education

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HOLY SPIRIT FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY January 5, 2026		
9:00 am—noon	Eucharistic Adoration	QM
10:00 am	The Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer Every Monday Morning	QM
11:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary Dial-In on Phone only	Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136
TUESDAY January 6, 2026		
9:30 am	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room
4:00 pm	Neighborhood Meal	CC Madonna Room
WEDNESDAY January 7, 2026		
9:30 am	QM Bible Study	McAuley Hall QM
4:00—5:00 pm	Neighborhood Meals Ministry. We will be serving carryout meals every Wednesday	OLOM Founder's Hall
6:30 pm	St. Augustine Rosary	SA
6:00 pm	St. Benedict Bible Study— Virtual beginning October 15	https://meet.google.com/hpy-pmvp-fvt
SUNDAY January 11, 2026 The Baptism of the Lord		
10:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary In church before Mass	SB
10:30 pm	Queen of Martyrs Rosary In church before Mass	QM

PASTORAL STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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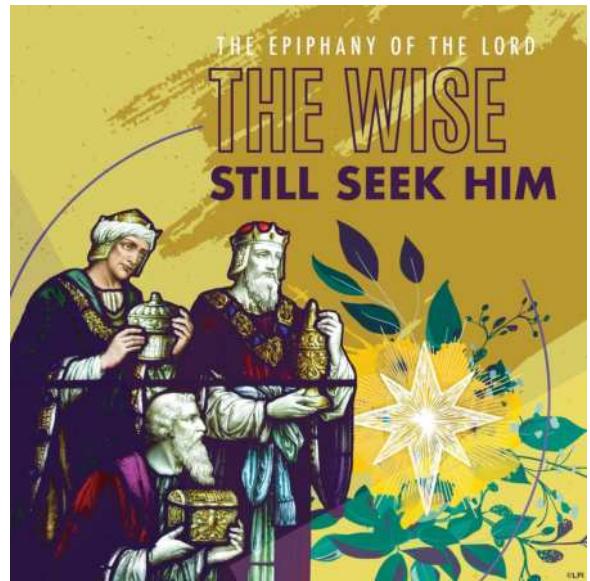
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Parish Council for Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

Chair: Randall Klotz **Vice Chair:** Consuella Wilson

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Weekend Collections
Will resume after the holidays!



Let's Communicate!

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS
DEADLINE MONDAY AT NOON
*Send bulletin information to Marty:
mphillips@qmdayton.org*

Family-wide SUNDAY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
pertaining to all locations

DEADLINE WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 am
*Send family-wide pulpit announcements to Liz:
lgadola@ourladyofgracedayton.org*

Liz will then email these to all locations

SUNDAY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
pertaining to just your location

These should go to your location announcement writer to be read at Mass

Music Ministers

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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January 4, 2026
The Epiphany of the Lord
Matthew 2:1-12

When I was 22, I went on a pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year of 2000. I was traveling light with just a backpack, one blue shirt and black pants, little money, and no Italian. I had a few close friends and one goal: to reach the Eternal City. Despite the challenges and deprivations, I felt alive in a way I had never known before.

When do you feel most alive? I'd wager it's not when you're most comfortable or surrounded by stuff. Rather, it's when your life is aimed at something great; when you're on a meaningful and challenging journey with good friends.

That's the image the Magi give us in today's Gospel. They set out from the East not with certainty, but with hope. They study the signs, discipline their attention, and journey together, offering the best they have when they find the newborn King. The Church gives us their story at the start of the year to reawaken something in us. We are not meant to drift. We're meant to journey as pilgrims. The Jubilee Year of 2025 may have ended, but our pilgrimage has not. Like the magi, the closer we get to Christ, the more alive we become.

— Father John Muir

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St. Augustine's Love in Action Report for "Sonshine in a Bag".

From July 1, 2025, until October 31, 2025. There were 84 large cans of green beans, and 84 large cans of corn donated in the box at the foot of the stairs. Any items that were put in the box that "Sonshine" can't use were donated to CAMP food pantry in Farmersville or the food pantry in Germantown. Please make sure that any donations have not expired because they can't be used by either organization. There were monetary donations given on Sundays that let us purchase 240 large cans of corn and 480 large cans of green beans for "Sonshine" at 50 cents a can thanks to Germantown Fresh Markets helping our churches donations go further when they have a sale. Sonshine is deeply grateful for our Church's contributions, and our church's members who help with the monthly packing. We have been able to supply vegetables for every packing for the 207 children in the Valley View school system that are helped by "Sonshine".

See also the thank you from "Sonshine" posted on bulletin board at the top of the stairs.

Any questions see Mary Hickle or Marie Klotz.



Devotions, Explained! Epiphany Blessing

Epiphany Blessing, Explained The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home.

All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk.

The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase Christus mansionem benedicat: "May Christ bless the house."

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EPIPHANY



Bible Studies

St. Benedict Bible Study: Virtual study began on October 15, 2025 and remain in place until Daylight Saving begins again in the Spring of 2026. As in the past we will use Google Meet as the application for our virtual sessions. Parishioners can participate using their computer, tablet or smartphone. The link to join the virtual sessions is provided below:

Hangouts Meet joining info

<https://meet.google.com/hpy-pmvf-fvt>

Queen of Martyrs Bible Study

Wednesday Mornings
9:30 am to 11:00 am. McAuley Hall. Year round.

Our Lady of Grace's Bible Study, Our Lady of Grace's Bible Study is on Winter Break. We will resume in Early Spring. Dates and our selected Scripture Study will be announced at that time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

*Pat Bell, Betty Jones, Michael Colvin
Angelina Matin, Nancy Green, Mary Dudley,
Keno Hampton, Sherman Mosley, Juanita Newell,
Robert Florence, Loure Hayes,
Renee Raisch, Joyce Merch, Imogene Broyles
Frank Kozarec, Marie Hodapp, Craig Powell,
Al Cochran, Mike Mobley, Rachel Woods,
Peggy Neff, Wanda Offenberger, Fran Rickett,
Pat Meyer, Kira Prikkel,
Larry Phillips, Pat Chirco, Keith Jonvires,
Teresa Bond, Doncella Parks, Donna Campbell
Jeanne Sipniewski, Mikayla Powley, Ken Pendery,
Samantha M., Joan Means,
George Noeth, Carla Arnold,
Kevin Oleckniche, Julie Moreo,
Ryan Ravestein, Toni Schilling, Andrea Kittel,
Betty Meehan, Karen Kuritar, Dorianne Minnelli,
Mary Foster, Charlotte Badders
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LaVerne Dorsey, Elizabeth Wolfe*

PLEASE CALL 937-274-2107 EXT 3001 TO ADD OR
REMOVE A NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST

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*Laure Hayes-Laurels of Kettering
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937-277-2092 queenofmartyrsdayton@gmail.com

Website <http://qmdayton.org/>

Office hours: Thurs. 9:00 am—12:00 pm

**Join your church family
in praying the Rosary
for the community and each other.**

St. Benedict Rosary is every Monday at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary **Dial-In Available at:**

New Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136

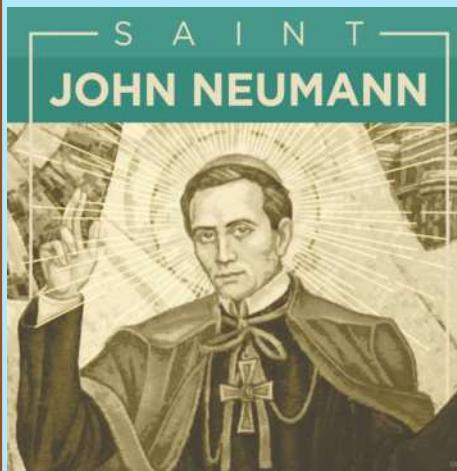
St. Augustine Rosary is in person every Wednesday a 6:30 pm. Holy Hour every First Thursday of the month

Queen of Martyrs Rosary is in person every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., just before the 11:00 a.m. Mass



WE SALUTE OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

*Major Matthew Fecke, Tiffany Kracus Lewis,
Sgt. Matthew Stull, Lance Corporal Patrick Nevius,
Caleb Weaver, Spc. Phoebe Moreo, Adam Wilhelm,
Martha Moreo, Capt. U.S. Space Force
EM3 Douglas R. Sortman, Major Darren Ward,
Staff Sgt. Jacob Naas, Spc. Jonathan Gladden,
AB Makayla Picker, Ssgt. P. J. Picker,
Angelica Tomlinson, USN*



St. John Neumann | January 5

St. John Neumann is the patron saint of educators, immigrants, and, due to the miracles that secured his canonization, sick children. This is a fitting patronage as he was a lover of education and learning from a very young age. In fact, when he was a child, his mother called him “my little bibliomaniac” due to his preoccupation with reading. Born in 1811 Bohemia, in what is now the Czech Republic, he attended the university in Prague preparing for ordination. However, his local bishops were not ordaining new priests at the time because Bohemia was overstocked with priests. He inquired about ordination all over Europe but received the same answer everywhere. Not one to be deterred, John then applied to several United States dioceses. Receiving no immediate responses, the saint took a leap of faith and decided to just immigrate to the United States in 1836, during his 25th year, with only \$40 in his pocket. This risk paid off when he was ordained in New York a month later.

Early in his priesthood he worked primarily as a missionary to German immigrants in Buffalo. His missionary work also created an opportunity for him to spend time in Maryland, Virginia, Michigan, and Ohio. When he was 29, he joined the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), a congregation of priests and brothers dedicated to helping the poor and most abandoned. He was their first member to profess vows in the United States.

In 1852, at the age of 41, Neumann became the fourth Bishop of Philadelphia. During this time, he organized the individual parochial schools in his region into a diocesan system. This change allowed Catholic schools to quickly increase the number of pupils enrolled by almost twentyfold. Over the course of his ministry, St. John expanded the number of Catholic schools in his diocese from 2 to 100! His passion for education extended to immigrants, like himself, and his love for learning languages made it possible for him to hear confessions in English, Spanish, French, Italian, Dutch, and Gaelic!

A man of the people, he could often be found outside the church walls visiting people who were sick, staying in taverns and public houses to teach, and celebrating Mass in people’s homes at their kitchen tables. He was canonized on June 19, 1977, following three miracles, two of which regarded the healing of youth from grave illnesses. St. John Neumann was the first American man to be canonized a saint.

Prayer for St. John Neumann’s intercession

O St. John Neumann, your ardent desire of bringing all souls to Christ impelled you to leave home and country; teach us to live worthily in the spirit of our baptism which makes us all children of the one Heavenly Father and brothers of Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the family of God.

Obtain for us that complete dedication in the service of the needy, the weak, the afflicted, and the abandoned which so characterized your life. Help us to walk perseveringly in the difficult and at times painful paths of duty, strengthened by the Body and Blood of our Redeemer and under the watchful protection of Mary our Mother. May death still find us on the sure road to our Father’s house, with the light of living faith in our hearts.

(Prayer Source: <https://stjohnneumann.org/>)

Learn About the Catholic Church's teaching on immigration and the journeys of migrants.....

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati’s Social Action Office will give a presentation on the Catholic Church's teaching on immigration and the journeys of migrants

The Ohio Congress of Bishops issued a letter earlier this year that offered compassion to immigrants seeking refuge in Ohio who are filled with anxiety and fear regarding events of the past year. To further communicate that compassion, Archbishop Casey offered support to parishes and schools interested in hosting a presentation by the Archdiocese on the church’s teachings on immigration.

The St Benedict the Moor Social Action Committee has invited the Archdiocese Social Action Office to give a presentation on Saturday, January 17 at noon in our Multi-Purpose Room.

This is a Holy Spirit Family sanctioned event, where all in the family are welcome and encouraged to attend as well as the local community at large. In addition to the presentation, there will be an opportunity for those willing to share their immigration stories. Information on resources available to immigrants in the local community will be provided. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Marvin Ingram at marvingram@gmail.com.

The Liturgy of the Hours

Due to the positive attendance, we will continue with Lauds, Morning Prayers of The Divine Office every Monday morning, 10:00 at Queen of Martyrs. On the first of each month, we will end Eucharistic Adoration with Lauds, Morning prayers. (Instead of starting then at 10:00, Lauds will begin at approximately 11:40.)

The Liturgy of the Hours
Morning Prayer
Every Monday Morning

10:00 am
Queen of Martyrs location



I recently had the privilege of attending two excellent Family of Parish events.

The first was the Christmas Concert at the St. Benedict the Moor on Friday 12/19. Mr. Thompson, the principal, and the staff did an amazing job preparing the students. And the performance by the students was phenomenal. The second the Advent play, Glory Be, at Queen of Martyrs on Sunday, 12/21. The parishioners did a wonderful job portraying the story of the Annunciation. If you didn't attend either, you missed some great opportunities.

Randall Klotz
Regional Pastoral Council Chair
Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

The Holy Spirit Family is making a big push to improve communications!

In order to do that, we want to update our records.

Please fill out the form below, clip it, and place in your church collection basket on Sunday.

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Holy Spirit Family Communications Form

Home Church	Circle One: Saint Augustine	St. Benedict	Our Lady of Grace	Queen of Martyrs
Family Name:	Head of Household: Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Children/Other _____ _____	Spouse: Last Name: _____ First Name: _____		
Phone/Email:	Address Line 1: _____ Address Line 2: _____ City/State: _____	Street Zip: _____		
	Phone: _____ Phone: _____ Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____	Type: Home/Office/Cell Type: Home/Office/Cell		
	I wish to receive "one calls": YES / NO I wish to receive emails: YES / NO I wish to be part of the prayer chain: YES / NO			
Talents:	I would like to volunteer the following skills:			
Ministries:	I am interested in the following ministries:			



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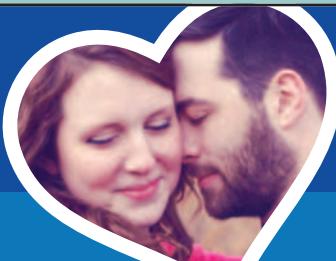
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