

December 7, 2025

**HOLY SPIRIT
FAMILY
OF PARISHES**

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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."

Our Lady of Grace (OLOG)



Corpus Christi



Our Lady of Mercy

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat., December 6, 2025 St. Nicholas, Bishop

4:30 p.m. at OLOM

4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., December 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. at St. A Don and Alma Emrick Sr. +

9:00 a.m. at CC

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Mae and Mike Meyring +
Judy Pope +

Mon., December 8, 2025

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation

9:00 a.m. at CC

9:30 a.m. at St. Benedict School

6:30 p.m. at QM

7:00 p.m. at St. A



Tues., December 9, 2025 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

8:30 a.m. at CC

Wed., December 10, 2025 Our Lady of Loreto

8:30 a.m. Mass at OLOM



December 10, Reconciliation Service and Confessions

6:00 p.m. at QM

6:30 p.m. at SA

Thurs., December 11, 2025 St. Damasus I, Pope

8:30 a.m. at QM Ralph McElDowney +

Fri., December 12, 2025 (No Mass or Communion Service) Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sat., December 13, 2025 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

4:30 p.m. at CC

4:00 p.m. at St. B

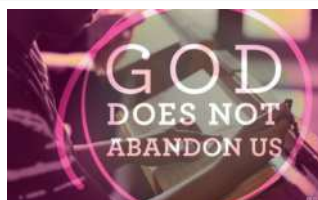
Sun., December 14, 2025 Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. at St. A David Emrick +
Peter Shears Jr. +

9:00 a.m. at OLOM

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Joseph Kolakowski +



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Dec. 13, 2025 4:30 p.m. at CC

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lector: Leona Marmolejo

Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Gill / Dorothy Mann
Server:

Saturday, Dec. 13, 2025 4:00 p.m. at St. B

Note: New time Change

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lectors/Readers:

Petitions: Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025 8:30 a.m. at St. A

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lector: Patrick Barnett

Eucharistic Ministers: Marie Klotz, Mary Hickle,
Doug Hoog, Joan Cameron

Server: Susie Stewart

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025 9:00 a.m. at OLOM

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lectors: Mary Obononoidem

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Miltenberger / Sr. Gerri

Server:

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025 10:30 a.m. at St. B

Presider: Fr. Francis

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, Kim Brown (L)

Deacon Victor O'Basuyi (C)

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025 11:00 a.m. at QM

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lector: 1-Don Tomczak 2-Becky Phillips

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

Dominique Akpore dakpore@stbenedictdayton.org

	MONDAY December 8, 2025	
10:00 am	The Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer Monday Mornings during Advent	QM
11:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary Dial-In on Phone only	Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136
	TUESDAY December 9, 2025	
9:30 am	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room
4:00 pm	Neighborhood Meal	CC Madonna Room
	WEDNESDAY December 10, 2025	
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
	THURSDAY December 11, 2025	
10:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration	CC
	SUNDAY December 14, 2025	
10:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary Dial-In on Phone only	Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136
10:30 pm	Queen of Martyrs Rosary, before Mass	QM

WEEK 2 Advent

PASTORAL STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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Parish Council for Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

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

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 for your generosity

Weekend Collections

ST. AUGUSTINE Sunday Mass

Nov 2, 2025

Collection \$ 1150, World Mission \$20
 St. Benedict School \$100, All Saints \$50
 Sonshine in a Bag \$116, Celebration Sunday \$116

ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

Saturday and Sunday Mass

Nov 2, 2025

Collection \$2136, Maintenance \$502
 St. Benedict School \$465

OUR LADY OF GRACE - OLOM & CC

Saturday and Sunday Mass

Nov 2, 2025

Collection \$4148

QUEEN OF MARTYRS Sunday Mass

Nov 2, 2025

Collection \$1833, All Saints \$85, SVDP \$482

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 announce-
ment writer to be read at Mass*

Music Ministers

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Update: Progress on the Beacons of Light Process Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

From the Pastor's Desk

On August 26, Father Francis called a joint meeting of the parish finance committees and parish councils. The leadership team facilitated the meeting to continue the canonical process of bringing the four parishes together as a Family of Parishes: St. Augustine, St. Benedict, Our Lady of Grace, and Queen of Martyrs. The meeting had two primary purposes: to initiate regular communication among pastoral and finance councils as one family, and to establish a combined finance council charged with overseeing the shared finances of the four parishes.

Each parish finance committee was asked to nominate three members to serve on the combined finance council for the Holy Spirit Family of Parishes. Nomination of persons was due September 15. The newly constituted combined finance council held its first meeting on September 29. At that meeting, members were briefed on the council's purpose and reviewed the governance guidelines that will direct its work.

A central discussion point introduced by Father Francis was a shift from equal expense shares to an equity-based model in which each parish's contribution toward shared costs is calculated as a percentage of its income rather than divided evenly. To develop the percentage model, the combined finance council formed a four-member subcommittee with one representative from each parish.

On October 16, the subcommittee met and reviewed Archdiocesan materials on parish assessment models. Using those guidelines as a reference, the subcommittee recommended percentage allocations for shared expenses to avoid discrepancies and to reflect each parish's capacity. The subcommittee presented its recommendations to the full combined finance council on October 30. The proposed contribution range for shared expenses fell between 58% and 66% of each parish's assessable income, consistent with Archdiocesan guidance. The council is hopeful to implement the new model beginning January 2026.

Operational details under consideration include:

- Creation of a single special account under the tax ID of one of the parishes to receive contributions and pay shared expenses.
- Initial "seed" contributions from each parish are proportional to the agreed percentage to fund the account before January implementation.
- Shared-account responsibilities to include salaries and benefits for employees who serve the Family of Parishes, clergy housing and living expenses, clergy salaries and retirement/health benefits, and additional clergy and transportation costs.

Phase 4: Family Unity Discernment and Facilities Assessment.

As part of Phase 4, the Family Unity Discernment process will assess financial, pastoral, and facility factors across the four parishes to inform long-term planning. The Archdiocesan Vitality Office worked with Miss Lynn Mosley on October 16 to prepare tools and worksheets to support this assessment. Initial building evaluations have already begun, focusing on HVAC systems, boilers, plumbing, and roofs.

On October 19, the Unity Team was formed and briefed on its responsibilities. The team includes eight members: the four representatives from the combined finance subcommittee and four members from the building committee. The Unity Team will coordinate facility assessments, compile sacramental and attendance records, and support the broader discernment process.

Next steps and how you can help

- The Unity Team and the combined finance council will continue meetings to finalize percentage allocations, finalize the special account logistics, and complete facility assessments.
- Parishioners will be invited to participate in consultative sessions and information meetings as Phase 4 proceeds. Your input, ideas, and cooperation are essential to a successful pastoral process.

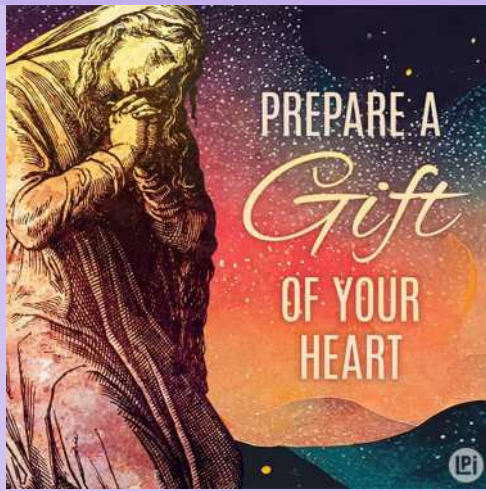
Thank you for your continued dedication to this shared work. We will provide further updates as the process advances.

Submitted by Fr. Francis Tandoh, C.S.Sp.

The Feast of Christ the King - November 23, 2025

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION





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-pmvp-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, at the Corpus Christi Campus will meet every Thursday until November 20, from 6:30 to 8pm. We will study:

Encountering the God of Faith, Hope and Love in the Bible.
Anyone who is interested in joining us, please contact
Leona Marmolejo at 937-274-4476, for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

*Pat Bell, Betty Jones, Donnie Isaac
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
Leah Moore, Carl Meyer, Phylis Hayes
Ann Heaney, Jerome Johnson, Carol,
LaVerne Dorsey, Elizabeth Wolfe*

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

NURSING HOMES

*Laure Hayes-Laurels of Kettering
Lucille Wilder-Cypress Pointe*

CHURCH INFORMATION

St. Augustine Church

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St. Benedict the Moor Church

519 Liscum Dr., Dayton, OH 45417
937-268-6697 Email admin@unitedinhope.org
Website unitedinhope.org
Office hours: Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 to 2:00 pm

Our Lady of Grace

Corpus Christi Church Our Lady of Mercy Church
527 Forest Ave. 533 Odlin Ave.
Dayton, OH 45405 Dayton, OH 45405

937-274-2107 info@ourladyofgracedayton.org
Website <http://ourladyofgracedayton.org/>
Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Queen of Martyrs Church

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4144 Cedar Ridge Rd. (Office)
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

DO YOU NEED PRAYERS?

Please call Pat Wilson at 937-836-2006
and she will pray for you.

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*

"Glory Be"

An Advent Play by
Kevin Yell



Please join us for a
**Holy Spirit Family
Advent Play
"Glory Be"**
**Sunday Evening
December 21, 2025**

At Queen of Martyrs

6:00 pm

Refreshments following .
Please bring Christmas
Cookies or a treat to share.
Or just bring yourself!



Choir Information

We know choir is very busy this time of year. We will be using the Advent music we are already learning for Masses. Choirs do not have to attend the actor rehearsals. Just bring your beautiful voices to the performance and sing like angels!

Would you like to be in the Advent play?

Please consider participating in our production! This is a 45 minute lite-hearted play involves heavenly angels taking a look back at the annunciations of the Advent season, plus music provided by our choirs. No experience necessary! We can use all ages, from kindergarten through adult. We'll keep it simple! Two rehearsals, one dress rehearsal, plus the performance!

Two Actor Rehearsals!

- Sunday, Dec. 7, 6:00 pm—8:00 pm
- Sunday, Dec. 14, 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

Day of the show!

- December 21, Dress Rehearsal for actors 1:00 pm—3:00 pm
- December 21, Performance 6:00 pm

To participate, simply come to the first rehearsal December 7 or
call Marty Phillips 937-307-3568
All rehearsals at
Queen of Martyrs



**St. Augustine
Angel Tree
for Astoria Nursing
Home**

**We are making gift bags for 50
residents at the nursing home.**

Please bring gifts for the residents of Astoria Nursing Home to include: lap blankets, plush stuffed animal, wall calendars, large print activity books with colored pencils and slipper socks with gripper soles.

We will be collecting these unwrapped gifts through December 21.

Naim (the social & religious organization for widowed Catholics) ends the year in grand style! Monday, December 8, the monthly meeting begins at 1 PM in Friendship Hall at St Francis parish, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville followed by cards. Friday, December 12, Naim members will celebrate the holidays with a catered dinner & entertainment provided by the Golden Saxes at Kohler banquet center. Interested in joining the festivities, contact Jim King at 937-901-2849.

It's time for our
**GIVING
TREE!**



The **Queen of Martyrs St. Vincent de Paul Conference** has adopted several needy families in our area this year. Please help us make their Christmas brighter by donating a gift to our Giving Tree.

- Select an ornament from the Giving Tree in the Narthex beginning Thanksgiving Day, November 27th
- Purchase a NEW item ranging in price from \$20 to \$35 based on the request written on the ornament. (No used toys or clothing.)
- Return your wrapped gift with the ornament securely attached to the outside of the package to the Giving Tree no later than Sunday, December 14th.

Questions: Contact Sharon Davis 937-681-1947

The Liturgy of the Hours is the Church's official prayer, and the highest form of prayer besides the Mass. It is an ancient, structured way of praying Scripture throughout the day, focusing especially on the Psalms. It harkens back to the Jewish custom of praying at fixed hours, a practice continued by the early Church.

Join the Holy Spirit Family as we learn this beautiful form prayer. We will begin with the **Morning Prayer** each Monday during Advent.

**The Liturgy of the Hours
Morning Prayer
Monday Mornings during Advent
10:00 am
Queen of Martyrs location**



ST. BENEDICT'S - DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

St. Benedict's warmly invites you to help decorate the church for Christmas by donating toward our poinsettias and holiday flowers. Your gift will brighten our worship space for the season and may be given in memory or honor of a loved one. To donate, please place your contribution and intention in the offering marked "Christmas flowers," bring it to the church office, or give your donation to Arvilla Crawford or Jackie Glover. Thank you and God bless!



This Weekend!

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025

11:30AM TO 1:30PM

COST - \$10.00 PER PERSON

SAVE THE DATE

BRUNCH MENU:
PANCAKES (3)
CHOICE OF BACON OR SAUSAGE
(TURKEY BACON/SAUSAGE WILL BE AVAILABLE)
SCRAMBLED EGGS
CINNAMON APPLES
WITH COFFEE, MILK & JUICE

SEE A MEMBER OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY FOR TICKETS



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: _____ Spouse: _____ Last Name: _____ Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ First Name: _____ Children/Other _____ _____ Address Line 1: _____ Address Line 2: _____ City/State: _____ Street Zip: _____
Phone/Email:	Phone: _____ Type: Home/Office/Cell Phone: _____ Type: Home/Office/Cell Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____ 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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