

December 21, 2025

## HOLY SPIRIT FAMILY OF PARISHES

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Queen of Martyrs (QM)



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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 20, 2025**

4:30 p.m. at OLOM

4:00 p.m. at St. B

**Sun., December 21, 2025 *Fourth Sunday of Advent***

8:30 a.m. at St. A Stephanie Tozzi +

9:00 a.m. at CC

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Bernice Martin +  
Judy Baker +**Mon., December 22, 2025 (No Mass or Communion Service)****Tues., December 23, 2025 *St. John of Kanty, Priest***

8:30 a.m. at CC

**Wed., December 24, 2025****Christmas Eve Wednesday December 24****Mass Schedule****St. Augustine 4:00 pm****Our Lady of Mercy 5:00 pm****Thurs., December 25, 2025 *Nativity of the Lord*****Christmas Day Thursday December 25****Mass Schedule****St. Benedict 10:30 am****Queen of Martyrs 11:00 am** Deacon Skip Royer +**Fri., December 26, 2025 (No Mass or Communion Service)****St. Stephen, The First Martyr****Sat., December 27, 2025 *St. John, Apostle and Evangelist***

4:30 p.m. at CC

4:00 p.m. at St. B

**Sun., December 28, 2025****Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

8:30 a.m. at St. A Dallas Watkins +

9:00 a.m. at OLOM

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Mike O'Ryan +

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS****Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025 4:30 p.m. at CC****Presider:****Lector:** Dorothy Mann**Eucharistic Ministers:** Pat Gill / Detsy Sacksteder**Server:****Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025 4:00 p.m. at St. B****Note: New time Change****Presider:****Lectors/Readers:****Petitions:** Eucharistic Ministers:**Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025 8:30 a.m. at St. A****Presider:****Lector:****Eucharistic Ministers:****Server:****Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025 9:00 a.m. at OLOM****Presider:****Lectors:** Sr. Pauline Siesegh**Eucharistic Ministers:** Beth and Arthur Siwecki**Server:****Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025 10:30 a.m. at St. B****Presider:****1st Reader –** Mary O'Basuyi**2nd Reader –** Michelle Sherman**Petitions –** Deacon Victor O'Basuyi**Extraordinary Ministers –**

Tracy Henderson, Janice Allen, Sylvia Orr (R)

Emmett Orr, Dominique Akpore, Kim Brown (L)

Deacon Victor O'Basuyi (C)

**Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025 11:00 a.m. at QM****Presider:****Lector:** 1-LouAnn Geel 2-Steve Koob**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jim Miller / Charlotte Minnelli**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:**  
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- **Baptisms:**  
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Deacons Ken Stewart & Victor Obasuyi,  
and Marty Phillips, instructors

**HSFP Coordinator of Religious Education**Dominique Akpore [dakpore@stbenedictdayton.org](mailto:dakpore@stbenedictdayton.org)**ADVENT****HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.**

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Please check with your various leaders to see if your group will be in session during the holidays!

MONDAY December 22, 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 23, 2025		
9:30 am	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room
4:00 pm	Neighborhood Meal	CC Madonna Room
WEDNESDAY December 24, 2025		
	<b>Christmas Eve</b> • St. Augustine 4:00 pm • Our Lady of Mercy 5:00 pm	
THURSDAY December 25, 2025		
	<b>Christmas Day</b> • St. Benedict 10:30 am • Queen of Martyrs 11:00 am	
	<b>Saturday and Sunday December 27-28</b> The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph All regular weekend Masses	
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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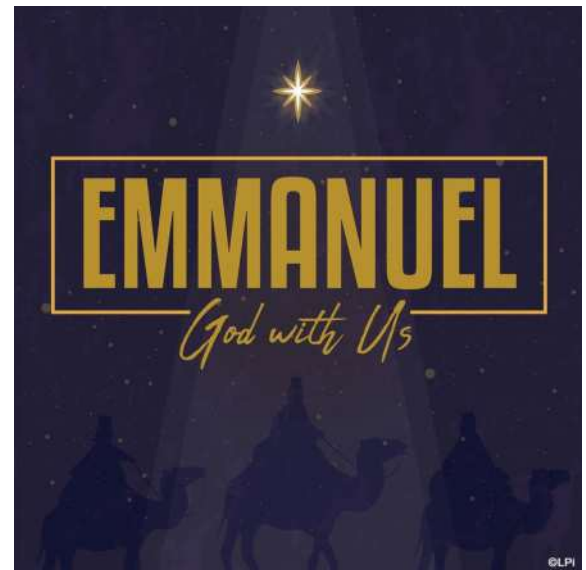
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for your generosity

**Weekend Collections**  
Will resume after the holidays!



### Let's Communicate!

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**  
**DEADLINE MONDAY AT NOON**  
Send bulletin information to Marty:  
[mphillips@qmdayton.org](mailto: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](mailto: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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### Parish Council for Holy Spirit Family of Parishes

Chair: Randall Klotz Vice Chair: Consuella Wilson





## **Holy Spirit Family of Parishes Christmas Schedule 2025**

### **Christmas Eve Wednesday December 24, Mass Schedule**

- **St. Augustine 4:00 pm**
- **Our Lady of Mercy 5:00 pm**

### **Christmas Day Thursday December 25, Mass Schedule**

- **St. Benedict 10:30 am**
- **Queen of Martyrs 11:00 am**

### **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

- **All weekend Masses December 27-28**

### **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Thursday January 1, 2026 Mass Schedule**

- **Queen of Martyrs 8:30 am Mass**
- **St. Benedict 10:00 am Mass**

*O Come, Let Us Adore Him*



**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 hearkens 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**

### **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,** 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*

*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**

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### **Our Lady of Grace**

Corpus Christi Church

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Our Lady of Mercy Church

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### **Queen of Martyrs Church**

4134 Cedar Ridge Rd. (Church), Dayton, OH 45414

4144 Cedar Ridge Rd. (Office)

937-277-2092 [queenofmartyrsdayton@gmail.com](mailto: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*





**Due Dec. 21**

### **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.

### **Live the Liturgy**

Sometimes we want God's instructions to be clear and precise — like the angel in Joseph's dream. But Joseph's understanding was only as strong as his devotion to God's will. If we give our lives to God as Joseph did, we will know what he asks of us.

### **Prayer for Advent – Miracles**

**Dear God,**

**You are in the miracle business.**

**I still believe that You can move mountains and separate seas.**

**Break into every unknown and astound us with Your goodness and grace.**

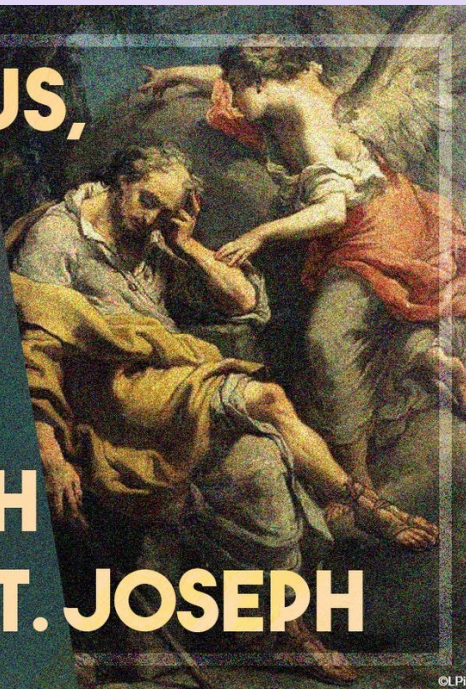
**Amen.**

### **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!

# **JESUS, GIVE ME THE FAITH OF ST. JOSEPH**



## **"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!



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



### **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!



## St. Stephen | Feast Day December 26

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow. ©LPi

**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:			
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