

December 28, 2025

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THE HOLY FAMILY

"Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt." - Mt 2:14

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St. Augustine (SA)



St. Benedict the Moor (SB)



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 27, 2025 *St. John, Apostle and Evangelist*

4:30 p.m. at CC

4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., December 28, 2025

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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

9:00 a.m. at OLOM Donnie Isaac +

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM Mike O’Ryan +

Mon., December 29, 2025 *(No Mass or Communion Service)*

Fifth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Tues., December 30, 2025

Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:30 a.m. at CC

Wed., December 31, 2025

Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:30 a.m. OLOM

Thurs., January 1, 2026

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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Queen of Martyrs 8:30 am Mass

St. Benedict 10:00 am Mass

Fri., January 2, 2026 *(No Mass or Communion Service)*

St. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

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 Lord*

8:30 a.m. at St. A

9:00 a.m. at CC

10:30 a.m. at St. B

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Jan. 3, 2025 4:30 p.m. at OLOM

Presider:

Lector:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Saturday, Jan. 3, 2025 4:00 p.m. at St. B

Note: New time Change

Presider:

Lectors/Readers:

Petitions: Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2025 8:30 a.m. at St. A

Presider:

Lector:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2025 9:00 a.m. at CC

Presider:

Lectors:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2025 10:30 a.m. at St. B

Presider:

1st Reader – Youth/Camille Brown

2nd Reader – Youth/Dominique Akpore

Petitions – Deacon Victor O’Basuyi

Extraordinary Ministers –

Carolyn Day, Rita Ellicott, Janice Allen (R)

Emmett Orr, Susan Smith, Annette Young (L)

Deacon Victor O’Basuyi (C)

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2025 11:00 a.m. at QM

Presider:

Lector: 1-Becky Phillips 2-Don Tomczak

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:**
Call office 937-268-6697
- **Baptisms:**
Call office 937-268-6697
Deacons Ken Stewart & Victor Obasuyi,
and Marty Phillips, instructors

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

	MONDAY December 29, 2025		
11:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary Dial-In on Phone only	Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136	
	TUESDAY December 30, 2025		
9:30 am	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room	
4:00 pm	Neighborhood Meal	CC Madonna Room	
	WEDNESDAY December 31, 2025		
	Happy New Year!		
	THURSDAY January 1, 2025		
	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Queen of Martyrs 8:30 am St. Benedict 10:00 am		
	SUNDAY January 4, 2025 The Epiphany 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	

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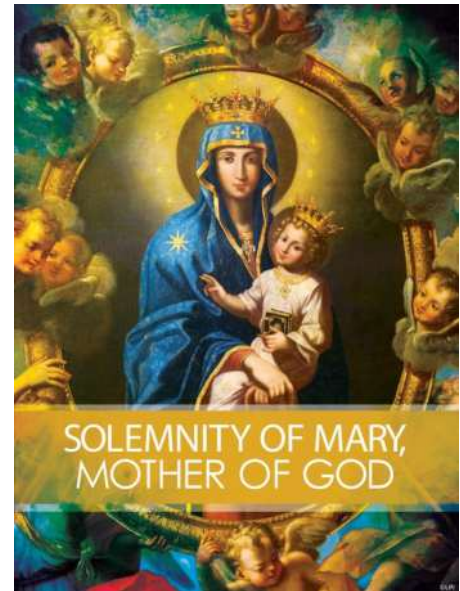
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Chair: Randall Klotz Vice Chair: Consuella Wilson

THANK YOU
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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:

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 Liz will then email these to all locations

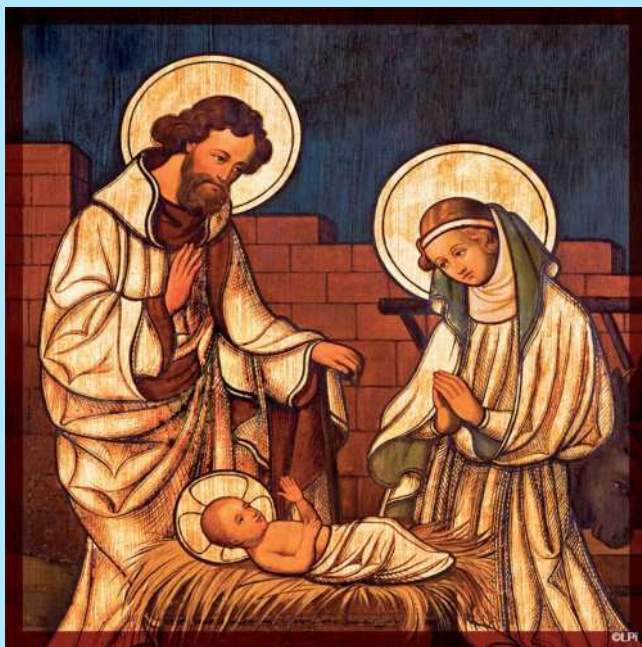
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pertaining to just your location
These should go to your location announce-
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December 28, 2025

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect. But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20). First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

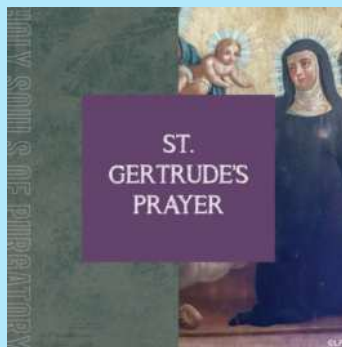
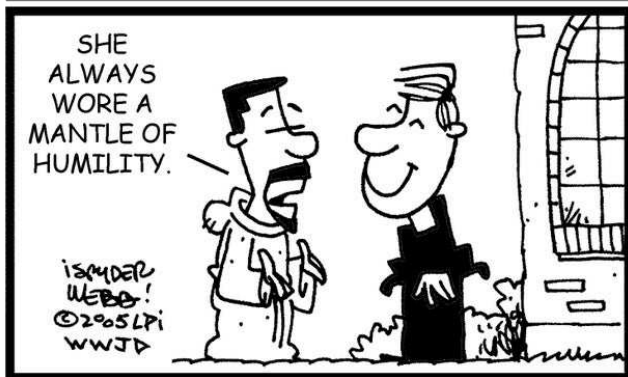
May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence.

— Father John Muir

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD



Devotions, Explained! St. Gertrude's Prayer

St. Gertrude's Prayer is a petition said on behalf of the Holy Souls of Purgatory, offering the Blood of Christ in reparation for the sins of the departed.

St. Gertrude, often called "St. Gertrude the Great," was a Benedictine nun who lived in 13th-century Saxony, present-day Germany. A mystic, she received visions of Christ beginning at the age of 25. She was also a prolific writer and devotee of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and is often invoked as an intercessor for the Holy Souls of Purgatory. Her feast day is celebrated on November 16.

The St. Gertrude Prayer reads: "Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen." ©LPi

Therefore, if anyone is in
Christ, he is a new
creation. The old has
passed away; behold, the
new has come.
—2 Cor 5:17 (ESV)



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, 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,
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REMOVE A NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST

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Our Lady of Grace

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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. Basil the Great | January 2

St. Basil the Great (329 – January 1, 379) shares his feast day with his lifelong friend St. Gregory of Nazianzen. These accomplished men fought against heresies that threatened the foundations of the early Church, shaping doctrines around Christ's divinity and the nature of the Holy Trinity.

St. Basil was born at Caesarea of Cappadocia, to a family already deeply rooted in Christianity, going back to the time of widespread persecution in the 1st and 2nd centuries. Following in the footsteps of his father, Basil studied in Caesarea as well as Constantinople and Athens, training in the law and rhetoric. He became a popular teacher. However, his sister persuaded him to give up academia for monastic life. Before inviting St. Gregory to start an order with him, St. Basil traveled through Egypt, Palestine and Syria visiting monasteries, learning everything he could and formulating his own ideas about monastic rule. His rule is still followed today, and he is known as the Father of Eastern Monasticism.

His time in the monastery was relatively short, it was only five years before he was called to play a greater role in the Church. Ordained as a priest, by around 370 he was made bishop of Caesaria. It was in this role that he fought against the heresy of Arianism which denied the divinity of Christ, even defying an emperor! He also fought against other early Trinitarian heresies. But these important doctrinal stands were not what defined Basil. He was passionate about caring for the poor and sick, pastoral care, and fighting against institutionalized prostitution. He would preach twice a day to large crowds, and opened a complex with a hospital, orphanage, and shelter for the poor. In addition to influential monastic rules, sermons, and doctrinal treatises, more than 300 of his letters still exist. St. Basil the Great, pray for us! © LPi

Live the Liturgy

God created the Holy Family with a great sense of purpose, because he knew that Jesus would be defined by the woman and man who raised him. Who is our "Holy Family" — the people who will define us? Who has God placed within our lives for a specific purpose?

Family Blessing

May God bless, protect, unite, mend, and renew our family. Help us to be instruments of healing and holiness, breaking generational curses, rewriting scripts, overcoming tribulation, joining in gratitude, and growing in joy ... together. Amen.



St. Mary Church

Follow the Star in the East to the historic Twin Towers of St. Mary Church in Dayton at the corner of Xenia Ave and Allen St. for our annual Open House.

Come visit the church in full Christmas decoration.

Bring your family, bring a friend!

Bring your camera!

Dec. 26:	3-6:00 PM
Dec. 27:	1-4:00 PM
Dec. 29:	4-6:00 PM



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2025 at Queen of Martyrs



Thank you to those who donated funds for our beautiful Christmas flowers at Queen of Martyrs! We are honoring and remembering the following family members and loved ones: Linda Armstrong, Deacon Skip Royer, Pheiffer/Miller Family, Paul Wood, Dorothy and Chester Phillips, William McCallister, Truman Baker, Deceased Members of Queen of Martyrs, Joseph Kolakowski, Glaser and Wolfe Family Members, Bud Minnelli, Lucy and Nick Minnelli, Herb and Leora McKinney, John McKinney, Kristin McKinney, Yuan Yuan Oleckniche, Meyring Family, Shirley Noeth, Gene Demeter, Arnold and Frances Brockman, Jack and Janice Wolff, Thaddeus Bloch.



Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year from
Father Francis,
Father Benoit,
Deacon Ken Stewart,
Deacon Victor O'Basuyi,
And the entire staff of
Holy Spirit Family

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
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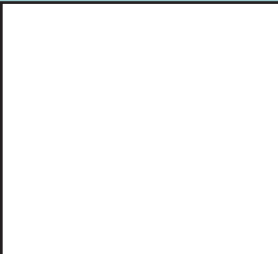
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