

# Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes

December 1, 2019

## 1st Sunday of Advent

Pastor: Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S.

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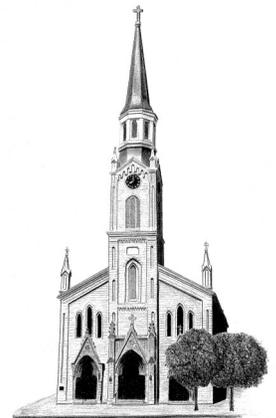
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Emmanuel Church 1837



St. Joseph Church 1847



Holy Trinity Church 1861

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, December 2

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Downey-Weaver Family

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Kendall McCabe

#### Tuesday, December 3

7:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Jose R. Davila Rexach

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Mike Flynn

#### Wednesday, December 4

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Tom & Rita  
Ostendorf

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Souls in Purgatory

#### Thursday, December 5

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Raymond LaGarde

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Carolyn & Jerry Palmer  
Anniversary

#### Friday, December 6

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....Intention of Dennis & Mary  
Moore

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....Lauren Powers

#### Saturday, December 7

7:30 AM Emmanuel.....All Unborn Children & their  
Parents

12:00 PM St. Joseph.....John Zimmerman

4:30 PM St. Joseph.....For our parishioners

5:15 PM Emmanuel.....For our parishioners

#### Sunday, December 8

8:30 AM Holy Trinity.....For our parishioners

10:00 AM St. Joseph.....Fr. Lou Osterhage &  
Fr. Richard Riedel

10:30 AM Emmanuel.....Living & deceased members  
Enochs Family

11:30 AM Holy Trinity.....Jeanne Jordan

#### Next Week's Readings:

#### Confessions Schedule:

Emmanuel: Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM

Holy Trinity: Sunday: 8:00 AM

St. Joseph: Monday-Saturday 11:30 AM; Saturday: 4:00 PM

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**Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and  
Benediction** at Emmanuel on Tuesdays 7:00 PM

**Anointing of the Sick** the first weekend of the month.

**Respect Life Rosary** 2nd Sunday of the month after 8:30  
Mass at Holy Trinity.

**To Register for any parish** please contact the parish office

**For Baptisms, Weddings or Ministry to the Homebound**  
please contact your parish office.



Today's scripture passage from the Prophet Isaiah got me thinking about my first trip hiking in the Appalachian Mountains. As we went along the rocky trail you had to watch your footing and be prepared to adjust your step when an obstacle came your way. Had I not been watching on one pass I would have stepped right on a snake that was sunning itself on the path. When we reached the summit and looked out over the deep valley and mountain

range I just stood in awe of the beautiful sight. I could see why sacred scripture looks upon a mountaintop as a dwelling place for God.

On this First Sunday of Advent the Prophet Isaiah invites us to "climb the mountain of the Lord" so that He can instruct us and guide us along the right path. We are invited to hold before our eyes the vision of a world where swords are turned into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. In the time of Isaiah there was a lot of conflict and danger. The Assyrians had taken over the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the people of God were losing hope. Isaiah offered them and us a message of hope!

As we journey with the Lord in this Advent season we do not need to add anything more to an already busy schedule. Like my hike along the Appalachian trail our call is to be watchful and attentive to the challenges that cross our path as well as an open eye for the hand of God at work in our lives. The season of Advent is not only preparing us to celebrate the gift of Christ's birth, but it is also a time for us to prepare for the coming of Christ in glory.

During this Advent season we can "beat our swords into plowshares" by:

- ◆ Removing demeaning speech or harsh words of criticism from our conversations;
- ◆ Steering clear of violent video games, movies and shows;
- ◆ Praying and working for peace in families and between the family of nations;
- ◆ Encouraging children and grandchildren to be peacemakers;
- ◆ Supporting individuals and groups offering outreach to the poor or lost;
- ◆ Learning how to listen deeply before we speak.

The season of Advent reminds us of the things we already know and helps us to put them back into perspective. All too often we go through life like sleepwalkers, going through the motions but not really engaged in living our faith boldly. You know the days...the alarm rings we get up, clean up, eat and are on our way to work, or school, or family obligations...doing what needs to be done but not really present to what's going on around us. As St. Paul reminds us each day "We are to put on the Lord Jesus Christ" allowing him to live in and through us.

We begin our new liturgical year with the season of Advent, walking once more with our ancestors in faith who longed and yearned for the coming Messiah. The beauty of Advent is found in its simplicity. We don't need to add anything more to an already busy schedule. It is a matter of watching and being attentive to the hand of God at work in our lives each day; that's what it means to prepare for the day of the Lord. Jesus did not come into the world in majesty and power, but as a tiny baby. He comes to us when we least expect like in the smile of a child, the healing touch of a nurse, the listening ear of a friend or spouse, in the stillness of the night, in his living Word and in his Body and Blood we share today.

Like our ancestors in faith, we are to keep watch and stay awake for the Kingdom of God is being revealed in our midst. Watch your step! You don't want to miss God's precious gift for you.

**Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal.** Give in thanksgiving. Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities' care for aging members. Please give generously.

**Advent Eucharist Adoration** will be held at St. Joseph Church on the Saturday's of Advent (Dec. 7, 14, & 21) following the noon Mass until 4:00 PM.

**Advent Service of Lessons and Carols** will be celebrated on Sunday, December 15th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church. This service of scripture readings and carols is a beautiful way to reflect upon God's covenant of love revealed to us in sacred scripture as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.

**December Marriage Uncorked! Come to our Annual Marriage Uncorked Christmas Party!** The Region 7 Marriage Ministry invites you and your spouse (or fiancé) to attend an evening of fun, games and gifts! Join us in Emmanuel's school building on Saturday, December 14th from 6:30-9:00pm. We will have games in conjunction with a White Elephant exchange, so each person is asked to bring a small, inexpensive gift for the exchange that truly has the spirit of White Elephant craziness! We will be awarding the individual who comes dressed in the most...um...memorable Christmas outfit, so come decked out! You won't want to miss it. Babysitting is available for \$4 per child. Please register yourselves and any children for babysitting by Wednesday, December 11th, by contacting Anna Earl at [anna.earl7@gmail.com](mailto:anna.earl7@gmail.com). Bring an appetizer or sweet to share.

**Region blood drive returns for peak winter needs!** The Region 7 Health Ministries Team is sponsoring the next blood drive on Thursday, Dec. 5th, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm at the Community Blood Center, 340 S. Main St. During the holidays demand for blood increases. Please consider taking time out of your day to donate a true gift of life! Appointments are encouraged. Just call 1-800-388-GIVE, or go to their website at [www.donortime.com](http://www.donortime.com) to schedule your best time to participate.

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**  
Thank you for your generous support last week to support those who live on the margins and in poverty in the United States. Visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections).

**Dayton Downtown Catholic Young Adults Visio Divina:**  
During the season of Advent spend some time praying with the Annunciation and Nativity stained glass windows in our churches! Time to pray with the windows and reflect on them will follow afterwards.  
December 7th 2pm @ St. Joseph with Adoration going on!  
December 14th 2pm @ Holy Trinity.  
December 21st 2pm @ Emmanuel.

**Ecumenical Prayer Service:** As the calendar year closes join other Christians from around the Dayton area for an ecumenical prayer service for Dayton at Holy Trinity Church on December 3rd from 6-7 p.m. The service will be an opportunity to continue praying for the community after the events of the last couple of months and look towards 2020 with hope.

**Live Nativity is back!** We are pleased to announce that our Region will be hosting the Live Nativity at Holy Trinity Parish on Sunday, December 8th from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m. There will be pet friendly animals – camels, goats, sheep and donkeys. Bring the kids, the grandkids and neighbor kids. This is open to the community to enjoy.

## REGION ANNOUNCEMENTS continued...

The Dayton Region 7 parishes will be sponsoring a trip to the Steubenville Youth Conference July 10-12, 2020. This conference is an amazing, faith-filled experience for high school teens. This conference is open to teens that are currently in the 8th Grade through graduating seniors. The cost for conference is \$290 which covers the cost of the conference, lodging, food, transportation, and a t-shirt. We will have fundraising to help offset the cost. A \$40 down payment will reserve your spot. For more information and/or to sign up contact Fr. Matt by Jan. 14.

## EMMANUEL CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for November 24, 2019

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$7,980.00	\$6,327.00
St. Vincent DePaul		\$ 632.70
Human Development Collection:		\$ 729.00
YTD excess or (deficit):		(\$ 8,198.00 )

*Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.*

### Prayer List

Teresa Bond	Craig Hathaway	Brian Napier
Daniel Branch	George Hendrix	Mike Riahle
Bernard Chachula	Virginia Hicks	Tony Rocco
Michael Dalessio	Jack Hohl	Eric Rosenthal
Rick Emerick	Thomas Ledinsky	Randy Rosenthal
Annette & John Fohl	Mike McDonald	Molly Schneider
Helen & Gene	Patrick McDonald	Jan Timerding
Anita Goulart	Wayne Meny	

**Our sympathy** is extended to the family of Patricia Mudd, a parishioner who died this past week. May she rest in peace.

**The Parish Office** will be closed Monday, December 2nd.

**Congratulations** to Christina Barnes & Jacob Duffy who were married this past weekend.

**Christmas Giving Tree Project...**The Giving Tree Project will support the Elizabeth's New Life Center. Parishioners are invited to take an ornament from the tree located in the vestibule of the church on this weekend and December 7/8. The ornaments list gift ideas to benefit the center. Return gifts, unwrapped, to 155 Franklin Street before or after Mass on December 14th and 15th.

**Mass Intentions for 2020** may be scheduled by email, [parishoffice@emmanuelcatholic.com](mailto:parishoffice@emmanuelcatholic.com) or by calling the rectory at 228-2013, Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm. Mass intentions are a \$5 donation and each family may schedule three Masses now, and once everyone has had the opportunity to schedule, you may schedule more for your family.

**Miraculous Medal Novena with Adoration and Benediction** Join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm for the Miraculous Medal Novena with Exposition, Benediction & Communion. Church doors open at 6:30pm.

### Did you forget to pick up a bulletin at Mass?

The Region 7 bulletins are available on our website, [www.emmanuelcatholic.com/bulletins/](http://www.emmanuelcatholic.com/bulletins/). Keep informed on the happenings within our Downtown Dayton Catholic Parishes.

### From the Joyful Noiseletter:

"On dieting: Seize the moment – Think of all those women on the Titanic who waved off the dessert cart."

—Erma Bombeck

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### Generous Contributions for November 24, 2019

Weekend Offertory:	Budget	Collection
	\$6,400.00	\$3,245.00
Human Development collection:		\$ 869.00
YTD excess or (deficit):		(\$26,507.17)

*Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.  
Frs. Angelo and Matt*

**Our Advent Penance Service** is next Sunday at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome to this service of scripture, song and the sacrament of reconciliation.

**Please Note:** For our parishioners who have difficulty climbing the steps to get into church, there are three parking spaces around the back of the parish office building dedicated to handicapped parking.

Our ushers will happily bring the Holy Eucharist back to any individual who has difficulty coming to the altar to receive. Please just let the usher know at the Mass you attend.

**Calling All Instrumentalists!** Do you play a musical instrument? Would you like an opportunity to contribute to our Christmas liturgies? Please contact our music director Krista Schupbach at [htmusician19@gmail.com](mailto:htmusician19@gmail.com) and let her know what you'd like to play and when. We will be glad to have you!

**Breakfast With Santa** is next Sunday. The last day to purchase tickets is December 4. Tickets are on sale after both Masses in the back of church for the final time today. All children and parents of Region 7 are welcome to attend, but you must have tickets.

**Thanks** to everyone who donated to St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday and to our non-perishable food collection. As always we are overwhelmed by the generosity of our parishioners.

**Cookies** are needed for our Live Nativity Event on Sunday, December 8. If you are willing to bake, we will gladly accept them on Friday, December 6 between 8:00 and 11:30 a.m. or when you come to Mass on Sunday. Thank you.

**In preparation for the Christmas season** to beautify the church, we are accepting donations for Poinsettias. If you would like to remember a loved one, or simply wish to help beautify the church, please place your donation in an envelope and put it in the collection basket. You may enclose the name of the loved one you wish remembered. Please mark the envelope "Christmas flowers". December 16 is the last day to submit names for publication in the bulletin.

**Our Giving Tree** is in place in the sanctuary. The names of our elderly parishioners are on the snowflake ornaments. If you wish to spread good cheer and let them know Holy Trinity is thinking of them, simply send them a card, pay a visit and/or give them a call. Thank you!

**Help Will Be Needed** Sunday, December 15 after the 11:30 Mass with the church decorations for Christmas. Brawn is needed to move trees, animals and set up the stable. We will also hang wreaths and decorate the other trees. Please join us and help beautify the church.

**FIRE Families** who did not attend last Sunday's Session, there are Advent bags for your family waiting to be picked up. Lots of fun activities to do with your children!

### Boiler Fund Update:

Goal: \$73,000

Pledged/collected: \$54,220.00

We are well on our way! Every little bit helps.

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

## Generous Contributions for November 24, 2019

Weekend Offertory:	Collection
	\$7,006.00
Charity:	\$ 84.00
Human Development Collection:	\$1,777.00

*Many thanks for the generous spirit of our parishioners.*

**Congratulations** to Meagan Eviston and Daniel Phillips who were married at St. Joseph's last Saturday.

**We will decorate the church for Christmas** on December 20th following the noon Mass. If you've never helped before, plan to join us this year. Not only is it a lot of fun but the end result is beautiful!

**Again this year we will be participating in Elizabeth's New Life Center Giving Tree Project.** Just take a card from the tree in the back of church, purchase the item and bring it back to church and place it on the table by the tree. The items do not need to be gift-wrapped as they are used to help those in need throughout the year. Please return your donated item by December 22nd.

### Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Rebekka Anders	Cody Landers	Diane Nyirasimbi
Yves Benimana	Greg Marcus	Anthony Pelfrey
Michael Borgert	Alex McGarvey	Jessica Pruitt
John Carner	Zachary McIntyre	Aimee Storm
Kelli Anne Cartuyvelles	Matthew Melvin	Susan Varmuza
Gary Eilers	David Musgrove	Justin Williams
Morgan Konsdorf		

**Please keep the following people in your prayers.**

*Call the rectory if you would like to be added to the prayer list.*

Cheryl Anderson	Catherine DeMange	Tony Riggs
Katie Blauser	Rita Downs	Janet Rudy-Gerrard
Shannon Boyd	Christine Durr	Jim Smith
Bob Bruns	Leona Manzo	Jack Summers
Mooneen Caulfield	Vanessa Padgett	Karen Thomas
Michael Culp	Victors Polovskis	Sharon Wenzel

# Area Activities

## America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally and Mass to Defend Christmas

The current culture is in great need of prayer as we approach the beautiful season of Christ's Holy Birth. Please join us for a Rosary Rally outside of the St. Vincent Gateway Shelter for Women and Families at 124 West Apple Street in Dayton. The event will be held Saturday, December 7th at Noon and there will be a procession into the new St. Vincent de Paul Chapel for Mass at 1 PM. For more information contact Angela Winfield at 937-331-8534.

**Advent Candlelight Tea: Prepare the Way of the Lord!** All ladies are invited Friday, December 6th for an Advent Tea. Fr. John Bullock, LC, will give a meditation and talk at Emmanuel Church's new Parish Center (handicap accessible, two doors west of the church, across from CJHS). Dessert / beverages provided. Bring a Christmas ornament for the optional ornament exchange. Doors open at 6:30 PM, the Tea begins at 7:00 PM. Knights of Columbus members will escort attendees to and from the parking area. RSVP Ann 937-671-7349 (text) or Connie 937-620-2207 (telephone).

**Warm up your Christmas** with gifts for your family and friends that also help families around the world lift themselves out of poverty. Shop at the Fair Trade and International Artisan Sale Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the University of Dayton's River Campus, 1700 S. Patterson Blvd., across from the Historic Carillon Park. Sponsored by the Catholic Social Action Office.

**The University of Dayton New Horizons Music Program presents Repeat the Sounding Joy** a holiday concert featuring the concert band, jazz band, Rising Stars beginning band, and advanced beginning band, plus special guests the Dayton Celebration Chorus. December 5th at 10:00 a.m. at Temple Beth Or, 5275 Marshall Rd.

**St. Anthony of Padua Church Class of 1970, 50 Year Class Reunion...** We are planning a 50th class reunion to be held August 15, 2020. If you were a member of St. Anthony's 1970, 8th grade class, please email Denny Edwards, [ddudley56@aol.com](mailto:ddudley56@aol.com) with your name/maiden name, email, mailing address and phone number.

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