



Mass Times

Monday:

6:00pm

Tuesday - Friday:

8:15am

Saturday:

8:15am

4:30 pm

Sunday:

8:30am*|11:00am|5:30pm

*Mass is Livestreamed watch via YouTube:

bit.ly/SMOY-Youtube

Notice of Filming and Photography

In order to offer Mass online, we will be live streaming during the 8:30 Sunday Mass. This means there is a possibility your image and likeness may appear on camera.



Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at our scheduled time or by appointment.

Fr. Ed | 513.697.3169 Fr. Stephen | 513.697.3102

Scheduled Confession Times Monday:

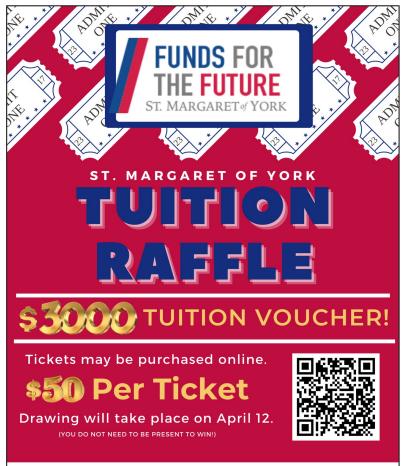
6:30-7:00pm*

Saturday:

8:45 - 9:15am 3:00 - 4:00pm

* Or until last Confession is heard

Anyone in need of assistance at Communion please notify an Usher before Mass begins.



WINNER WILL RECEIVE TUITION/FEE CREDIT FOR \$3000 FOR THE 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR AT ST.

MARGARET OF YORK SCHOOL **OR A HIGH SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOOSING**. THE CREDIT MAY BE
USED FOR ONE STUDENT OR SPLIT AMONG STUDENTS RESIDING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD. A
MINIMUM OF 125 TICKETS MUST BE SOLD FOR THE RAFFLE TO TAKE PLACE. IF MINIMUM SALES
ARE NOT REACHED, THE DRAWING WILL BECOME A SPLIT THE POT, WITH THE WINNER
RECEIVING 50% OF THE TICKET SALE EARNINGS.





Sunday Reflection

Fr. Ed Smith

The Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-36

Lent is here, and we are probably expecting the 'usual' Lenten readings about sin, conversion and mercy...but suddenly, on this Second Sunday, we find ourselves way up on Mount Tabor, with Jesus, Peter, James and John. And what occurs there is one of the most "dazzling" scenes in the Gospel; Jesus is transfigured before their eyes, and His disciples at last see Him revealed in His glory. They begin to understand how God has entered our world and revealed Himself in Jesus, and now their lives are changed forever.

This magnificent Gospel passage connects beautifully with our first reading from the Book of Genesis: God makes a covenant with Abram [who will later be called "Abraham"] by entering into the world, revealing himself, and changing lives. Abram's descendants will be as numerous as "the stars in the sky" and carry on his mission of faith.

For us, as we make our journey through another Lent, it is important to remember that God enters our world over and over again. He reveals Himself to us in many ways. He makes a covenant with us through His grace, our faith, and the sacraments. And our lives are changed.

Perhaps, therefore, a good prayer for all of us as we continue this Lenten preparation for Easter would be that we embrace whatever changes God has in mind for us, become the persons He wants us to be, and be alert to His presence and promise, including all the possibilities that are open to us as children of a loving Father. Maybe then we can "dazzle" a few people ourselves with our commitment to Jesus, His Church, and His people, through a life of Christian love.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



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Parish Financial Support

Sunday Offerings

(January 2025)

\$9,940.00 January 1 Jan 1EFT \$10,338.00 January 5 \$10,500.50 January 12 \$17,738.24 Jan 15 EFT \$9,071.00 January 19 \$12,292.00 January 26 \$21,636.68 Jan WeShare \$44,493,50

Total for current month to date \$126,069.92

Sunday Offerings

(February 2025)

February 2 \$13,189.00 Feb 1 EFT \$10,338.00 February 9 \$10,216.50 Feb 15 EFT \$8,656.00 February 16 \$14,342.00 February 23 \$10,121.00 Feb WeShare \$29,954.50

Total for current month to date \$96,817.000

Sunday Offerings

(March 2025)

March 2 \$14,433.16

March 1EFT

March 9

March 15 EFT

March 16

March 23

March 30

March WeShare

Dec WeShare

Total for current month to date \$14,433.16

Mortgage Indebtedness

Principal balance on mortgage: \$1,326,262.54 Number of Months left until payoff: 40 Monthly Payment: 33,690

Current numbers available at time of printing

Save the Date UPCOMING EVENTS

Events with a green bar under them are at St. Columban. Events with a red bar under them are at St. Margaret. Events with a yellow bar are at a third party location.



Fathers Team Lenten Series

Next Talk: March 20 & 21

Join the Fathers Team for a powerful series designed to help men grow as husbands, fathers, and followers of Christ. Through honest conversations and practical insights, we'll explore what it means to live our vocations with purpose, strength, and integrity. We meet on Thursdays at 7:03 pm and Fridays at 6:03 am. Join us for one talk or attend them all!

March 20-21 Topic: Being Together: A Husband's Guide to Living a Christ-Centered Marriage.

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Parish Family Penance Services



St. Columban | Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 pm St. Margaret of York | Monday, March 24 at 6:30 pm

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Praise & Adoration

Thursday, March 27 I 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Join Father Stephen and musician Colleen McKenna for a night of Lenten Adoration, praise, and worship. This is a family friendly event and all ages are welcome to attend, especially children!

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Heart & Soul

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First Friday | April 4, 2025

Our next First Friday event will be Friday, April 4th. A fellowship gathering immediately after First Friday 8:15 am Mass & Rosary will be held in the Gathering Space. Donuts, breakfast pastries, and beverages to be provided. Donations accepted. Please reach out to friends and invite them to join us and learn more about our fast-growing Heart & Soul Ministry.

Save the Date: Reds Baseball Game, Thursday, May 15th at 12:40 pm versus the Chicago White Sox. More details to follow.

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Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 4 and 11 at 7:00 pm

Join Fr. Stephen and walk with Jesus on the Way of the Cross. All are welcome. You may also use the booklets on the cart near the first station to pray the Stations of the Cross independently. On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will take place at 12:00 pm.



40DAYS FORLIFE®

HELP SAVE LIVES IN GREATER CINCINNATI!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired **1,000,000** volunteers to help end the injustice of abortion in their local communities.

With God's help, through campaigns held in over 950 cities around the world;
25,224 babies have been saved; 256
abortion workers have converted and 148
abortion centers have closed for good (even in "blue" states!)

Here's how to get involved to save lives!

- Vigil location: Planned Parenthood,
 2314 Auburn Ave., Cincinnati, 45219
- **Vigil hours**: 7 am to 7 pm (choose an hour)
- St. Margaret of York Church Designated Day of Prayer Friday, April 4, 2025
- For info, contact:
 Karen Rizzo,
 smoyrespectlifeministry@gmail.com



Scan Code to SIGN UP!









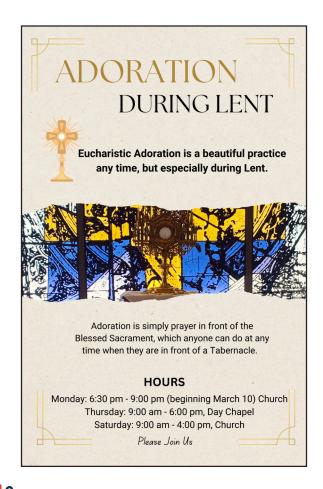
SCAN TO ACCESS ALL LINKS

Found House – Interfaith Housing Network helps families overcome homelessness. St. Columban hosts 4 families 3 times a year. It takes many volunteers and donations for this program to be successful!

Members of the SMOY Social Action Commission and St.
Columban Found House Ministry will be in the Narthex after
Mass on March 8-9 to discuss our programs. The Social Action
Commission is interested in recruiting new members. The Found
House program houses homeless families in the former St.
Columban convent. Our next host period is 3/30-4/9. Please
stop by to see how you can help.

Please use the **QR code** to see how you can volunteer, read a refresher on volunteer duties, and contribute food donations and supplies.

We'll have a box at SMOY to receive donations the week of March 23-29. The other host weeks will be August 10 and November 9. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact **Jenny Collado** (513)600-3821 or jennyc@zoomtown.com. Thank you.





Little Black Books

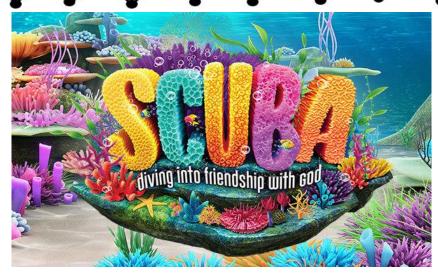
A free digital copy is available through the "Little Books" app on iPhone!



SCAN QR CODE FOR APP



"Spend some quiet time with the Lord this Lent."



VBS 2025 is Right Around the Corner And we need YOU!! June 2nd-6th; 9am-noon

In order to begin planning and to make this event a success, we need SAFE PARISH trained <u>AdUlt</u> Teachers (2 per classroom). Please use the link below to sign up! Any questions please reach out to vbs.smoy@gmail.com

YBS Volunteers



Responsibilities Include:

-Taking your class through their daily stations

-Reading a Bible story to your class each day (this is scripted for you)

Perks:

-You can enroll one child for free and guarantee spot for all your children

-All lessons and materials are planned/prepped for you

*Student_volunteers will_be regruited at a later date

Eucharistic Exposition

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Monday

6:30 - 9:00pm (Benediction @ 9:00pm) *Beginning March 10

Thursday

9:00am - 6:00pm (Benediction @ 6:00pm)

Saturday

9:00am - 4:00pm (Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 3:00pm) (Benediction @ 4:00pm)

Eucharistic Guardian

To sign up or get information to be a Eucharistic Guardian: smoy.weadorehim.org

Rosary

This beautiful devotional practice is prayed immediately following every weekday Mass.

Tuesday - Saturday

8:45am

Monday

6:30pm

Sacraments

Please note all sacraments require formational preparation prior to the reception of the sacrament. Please contact the following for more information and to schedule:

Baptism: baptism@smov.org (For Baptism please include your phone number when emailing)

Marriage: marriage@smoy.org (For marriage prep please contact at least 6 months before anticipated wedding date.)

Holy Orders:

vocations@catholicaoc.org





Celebrating Our Seminarians

Curtis Gross and Peter Hoffman, two seminarians from St. Margaret of York, recently assisted Fr. Father Anthony Brausch with Mass when Heart & Soul visited the Athenaeum. Curtis will be ordained in April of 2026 and Peter is in his Propaedeutic Year (1st year).



Curtis said, "I am preparing to become a transitional deacon this April, at which point I will begin to baptize babies and preach at Mass! I thank God for inviting me into this beautiful vocation; I also thank the SMOY community and all those who have been so supportive and encouraging."

Peter, in his first year at the Athenaeum, said, "I am in what is called the Propaedeutic Stage. Along with classes it includes a technology fast and other formation elements aimed at detachment, spiritual growth, and discernment."

How blessed we are to have two seminarians from SMOY. Please keep Curtis and Peter in your prayers.



Holy Matrimony Word Search

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Support Our Sponsors!

Thank You Bulletin Sponsor of the Week Shine Orthodontics

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 17

6:00PM Mass

+ Jerry Driscoll by Janet Driscoll

Tuesday, March 18

8:15AM Mass

+ James Tippett by Emily Martin

Wednesday, March 19

8:15AM Mass

+ Joseph A. Schmitz by Ron and Margie Shaw

Thursday, March 20

8:15AM Mass

+ Johann Kopp by The Hacker Family

Friday, March 21

8:15AM Mass

All Parishioners in Parish Day of Prayer for Life by Paul and Mary Blessing

Saturday, March 22 **8:15AM Mass**

+ Paul H. Blessing

by Paul and Mary Blessing

4:30PM Mass

+ Hilda Schmitz by Ron and Margie Shaw

Sunday, March 23

8:30AM Mass

+ Thomas Hudie by The Nurre Family

11:00AM Mass

For Healing of Bryan Spencer Sexton by The Schuler Family

5:30PM Mass

SMOY Parishioners

Due to frequent last-minute changes, celebrants will not be listed for now.

Guide to Lent

"Lent is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and prepares Catholics to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus at Easter."

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops



What can I do for Lent?

- Read a daily reflection in your Little Black Book. Digital copies are available - see pg. 6 of the bulletin for details.
- Confess your sins at the Parish Penance Service at St. Columban on Tuesday, March 18 at 7:00 pm or SMOY on Monday, March 24 at 6:30 pm.
- Attend Eucharistic Adoration and spend some quiet time in the presence of Christ.

Adoration Hours:

Thursdays - 9:00 am -6:00 pm Saturdays - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Mondays - 6:30 - 9:00 pm

- Donate canned goods to the SMOY Food Pantry. Leave your donation on the table near the Parish Office entrance.
- Pray the Stations of the Cross. Find booklets on a cart near the first station and use them to guide you through the Stations.
- Attend our Lenten Fish Fries to enjoy a meatless meal. Every Friday in March from 5:00-7:30 pm. Dine in or carry out. Visit our website for all the details, including volunteer sign up and menu.
- Say a Prayer for someone you know who is struggling.



Stations of the Cross with Fr. Stephen

Walk with Jesus on the Way of the Cross

Friday, April 4 Friday, April 11 7:00 PM

All are welcome!



SMOY Jubilee Pilgrimage to Maria Stein Shrine Wednesday, May 28, 2025 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

ITINERARY

*Bus departs SMOY parking lot at 8:00 am *Fr. Ed Celebrates Mass *Tour of the Shrine *Boxed Lunch

*Time to Explore the Shrine & Gift Shop

*Return to SMOY by 5:00 pm

Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics is home to one of the largest documented holy relic collections in the United States.

*Trip is for ages 18 and older *Rain or shine; no refunds will be given *Cost is \$20 per person; includes bus ride, tour of shrine, and boxed lunch

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Name(s)					
Email:	Phone:				
Today's Date:	_ I want	(indicate #) boxed lunches			
*Boxed lunch includes a turkey bacon wrap, strawberry salad, and assortment of cookies; includes drink (water, lemonade, and coffee).					
Number of paying adults: *Cash or check made out to "S					

Please enclose this completed form with your payment in an envelope and return to the parish office by May 1, 2025. *Questions?* Contact Alisa Fisher at communications@smoy.org.

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Prayer Request

The St. Margaret Prayer Chain Ministry prays for those experiencing a special need or emergency situation. They are a great comfort to anyone who feels alone when facing a time of crisis. You are welcome to be included in this special ministry, or if you have prayer intentions or requests, our prayers can be offered for you.

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Beyond Our Parish Doors

Friends of Jesus

Friends of Jesus is a group for adults with developmental disabilities (18 years of age or older). This group's focus is primarily for support, prayer and socializing. Join us on the following Saturdays in 2025: March 22 2025, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. (celebrating the life of St. Patrick in music), at All Saints Parish Center, 8939 Montgomery Road, We have also scheduled May 31, 2025 for the year-end picnic.

We come together in prayer, do some craft-making, and enjoy refreshments. New members are always welcome but must RSVP first prior to attending so we can plan for food and craft supplies. For questions or to RSVP, please contact Jane Callan at 513-793-3546.

Pregnancy West Center is Hiring Seeking a Full-time Chastity Educator

Pregnancy Center West, a Catholic, pro-life pregnancy resource center, seeks a full-time Chastity Educator (Outreach Coordinator) to implement our in-school chastity education program. This exciting opportunity allows a young adult to make a significant impact on the spiritual development of students in grades 5-10. More more information, and to apply, please visit: https://catholicjobs.com/job/5042168310.

Lenten Healing Prayer Service

Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Praise and worship; Sacrament of Confession, Group Healing Prayer, Individual Prayer Teams. St. Susanna Parish, 616 Reading Rd., Mason. For more details, contact the parish office at 513-398-3821 or email calpins@stsusanna.org.





St. Vincent de Paul **Car Donation Program**

By donating a car, motorcycle, RV, boat, trailer, or ATV to St. Vincent de Paul, you make a direct impact on the lives of our neighbors. You also can receive a tax credit. We make it easy for you - we'll pick up your vehicle and take care of the paperwork. All you have to do is give us a call at 800.322.8284, or contact us through svdpusacars.com

A Plea from St. Vincent de Paul

SVDP Donations Needed!

Our SVDP bank balance is rather low right now. The winter heating bills coupled with the higher rental prices in our area have lowered our available funds. Our next scheduled 5th Sunday SVDP collection is not until the March 30th weekend. Any donations ahead of that date would be greatly appreciated. Thank You in advance as we continue to assist our neighbor's in need. - SVDP SMOY Ministry

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