ST. MARGARET OF YORK CHURCH 9499 COLUMBIA RD., LOVELAND, OH 45140

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45



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.



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.

Jubilee Pilgrimages

During the Jubilee year, Catholics worldwide will be "pilgrims of hope," traveling—physically and spiritually—to sacred sites, drawing closer to God's mercy, and renewing their commitment to living as followers of Christ.

What is a Pilgrimage? Why do people go on them?

A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel.

What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.

Pilgrimages—which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church—are also an opportunity for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place.

At times, such as on a special feast, a jubilee, or the anniversary of the dedication of the church, special graces (called "indulgences") can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration. ©LPi

Here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, three locations have been designated as Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites:

- The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Peter in Chains in Cincinnati
- The Shrine of the Holy Relics at Maria Stein
- Emmanuel Catholic Church in Dayton

A pilgrimage visit to any of these sites can apply to the reception of the **Jubilee Indulgence.**



Learn more at www.catholicaoc.com/jubilee-2025



Sunday Reflection

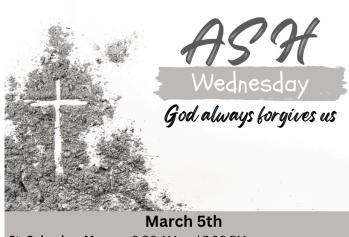
Fr. Ed Smith

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sirach 27:4-7: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58: Luke 6:39-45

"You can't give what you don't have!" This old proverb comes to mind as we read our Gospel for this weekend. Jesus uses dramatic imagery to make his point: the blind leading the blind; trying to remove a splinter in someone's eye when you have a wooden beam in your own eye.

In these short, parable-like pronouncements of Jesus, He makes it clear that WE have to be converted first, before we ever try and make changes in anyone else. More than that, if we are not really converted [literally: change of heart], then what we attempt to hand over to others might not be only incorrect, but also destructive. We are capable of doing much better. With Jesus on our side [and He always is] we can communicate God's love, gentleness and faithfulness as He wants us to do.

So, how do we do this? St. Paul, in our passage from 1 Corinthians, makes it very clear: "My beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." Our relationship with Jesus makes it possible to help bring others to God, be light for the world, and share the great virtues that make life worth living: Faith, Hope and Love.



St. Columban Masses: 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM St. Columban Liturgy of the Word and ashes: 6:30 AM and Noon St. Margaret of York Masses: 8:15 AM (school) and 6:00 PM A CONTRACTOR OF THE STORE



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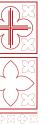
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Parish Financial Support

Sunday Offerings

(December 2024)

December 1	\$15,135
EFT	\$11,113.00
December 8	\$12,809.20
December 15	\$14,737.93
EFT	\$9,258.00
December 22	\$20,624.00
Christmas	\$26,009.00
December 29	\$22,954.00
Dec WeShare	\$95,821.00

Total for current month to date \$228,461.13 including Christmas

Sunday Offerings

(January 2025)

January 1	\$9,940.00
Jan 1 EFT	\$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
Feb1EFT	\$10,338.00
February 9	\$10,216.50
Feb 15 EFT	\$8,656.00
February 16	\$14,342.00
February 23	
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Total for current month to date \$56,741.50

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

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.

Heart & Soul



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Monday, March 3 I Tech Talk with Ted

Join us on Monday, March 3 at 7:00 pm in the Father James Room. Bring your computer related questions and Ted will provide answers and updates on technology.

Friday, March 7 | First Friday | Gathering Space

Our next First Friday event will be Friday, March 7. A Fellowship Gathering immediately after First Friday 8:15 am Mass & Rosary will be held in the Gathering Space. Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday, April 9 | State Capitol Tour

This VIP Tour of the Ohio Capitol in Columbus includes a viewing a session of the Ohio House, lunch with our local Representatives, and a tour of the Ohio Supreme Court. We will meet offsite at 8:00 am and travel by bus to Columbus. Return is scheduled before 5:00 pm, in time for evening WOW. If you are in morning WOW, arrangements have been made to attend evening WOW on April 9; please note this in your reply to the RSVP. Look for an Evite in the coming weeks to secure your spot. Cost for the bus is \$30/person. Space is limited to 55 so RSVP quickly when you receive your Evite.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 5

- St. Margaret of York: 8:15 am (School) and 6:00 pm
- St. Columban: 9:00 am and 7:00 pm
- St. Columban Liturgy of the Word & Ashes: 6:30 am & Noon

Fathers Team Lenten Series

Begins March 6 & 7

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 6-7 Topic**: Different...This...Year! Charge Yourself Up and Inspire Your Family this Lent.

2024 Contribution Statements

2024 Contribution statements will not be automatically mailed. Statements may be requested by contacting the Parish Office via email (parish@smoy.org) or by calling 513.697.3100. Requested statements may then be picked up during normal office hours, emailed, or sent via US Mail. Please allow one business day to complete your request.



Event: Taizé Candlelight Experience

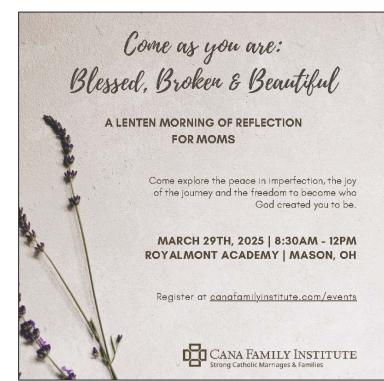
Host: The Angelico Project Location: Mother of God Roman Catholic Church, Covington, KY Date & Time: Friday, March 7, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Born from the communal worship of an ecumenical group in France, Taizé style chant has made inrows in many Christian denominations. Characterized by simple, "repetitive structures that can easily be memorized, along with other parts for solo voices, choirs, and instruments," this style of music has become an aid in worship and prayer to millions of people across the globe.



The "Beyond Our Parish Doors" page on our church website features many events that may be of interest to you.

Visit **www.https://smoy.org/beyond-parish-doors** for information about trips, retreats, and conferences.



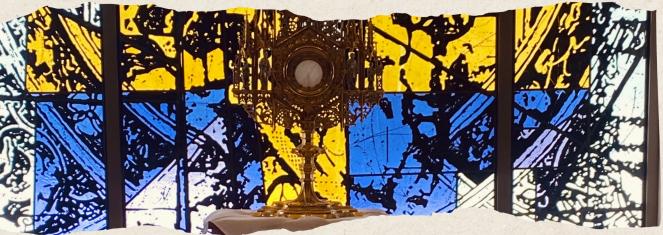


Mass Intentions for July 1 through December 31, 2025 are now available. Note there is an initial limit of 5 dates per family through 3/31. Please come to the Parish Office or call the office to request your intentions.



You're Invited to Spend Time in the Presence of Christ

ADORATION



"...when I go to Adoration, personally, I think of walking into a restaurant and asking for a quiet place for a table for two... just me and Jesus. It's just an intimate one-on-one of liking each other, I pray a bit; I read a bit. I just enjoy His company. - Mary, SMOY parishioner

Adoration is simply prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament, which anyone can do at any time when they are in front of a Tabernacle.

During official Adoration a consecrated host will be exposed in a **Monstrance**, a sacred vessel used to display the Blessed Sacrament. This is called **Exposition**. You can pray in Adoration for as long or short as you wish. People who commit to pray with Jesus for a specific hour are called Eucharistic Guardians.

ADORATION HOURS

Monday: 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm (beginning March 10) Church Thursday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Day Chapel Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Church

Visit https://smoy.org/blog/adoration-during-lent for more information and to sign up to be a Eucharsitic Guardian

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@smoy.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



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Deputy Barnes Receives School Safety Award

Congratulations to our School Resource Officer, Warren County Sheriff **Deputy Katie Barnes**. Deputy Barnes was recognized by the Ohio School Safety Center for outstanding leadership in school safety and community initiatives.

Deputy Barnes is present in our school full time, and is committed to fostering a safe and supportive environment for our students, staff, and the community.



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Mass Intentions

Monday, March 3 6:00PM Mass + Jane Riehemann by Ann and ray Rytel

Tuesday, March 4 8:15AM Mass + Christy Von Allmen by The Etzkorn Family

Wednesday, March 5 8:15AM Mass SMOY Parishioners 6:00PM Mass + Loretta Cory by Friends of the Barnes Family

Thursday, March 6 8:15AM Mass Special Intention of Tom and Ashley Liette & Family by Beth and Bill Liette

Friday, March 7 8:15AM Mass + Janet George by The Weisgerber Family

Saturday, March 8 8:15AM Mass + John Reddy by The Hacker Family 4:30PM Mass + Raymond O'Donnell By Ray O'Donnell

Sunday, March 9 8:30AM Mass SMOY Parishioners 11:00AM Mass Tommy Francis Bruns by Melissa Bruns 5:30PM Mass + Anne Keegan by Lisa Keegan

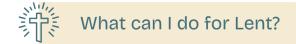
Due to frequent last-minute changes, celebrants will not be listed for now.

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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



- **Pick up** a Little Black Book in the Narthex and spend some quiet time with the Lord each day.
- **Confess** your sins at the Parish Reconciliation 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
- Monday 6:30-9:00 pm (starting March 10)
- **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 in the back of church 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 the volunteer sign up and menu.
- Say a Prayer for someone you know who is struggling.

PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING

Stations of the Cross with Fr. Stephen

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Walk with Jesus on the Way of the Cross

Friday, April 4 Friday, April 11 7:00 PM All are welcome

Fathers Team Lenten Series: If You Build It, He Will Come Men's Spirituality

This Lent, step up to the challenge of becoming the man God created you to be!

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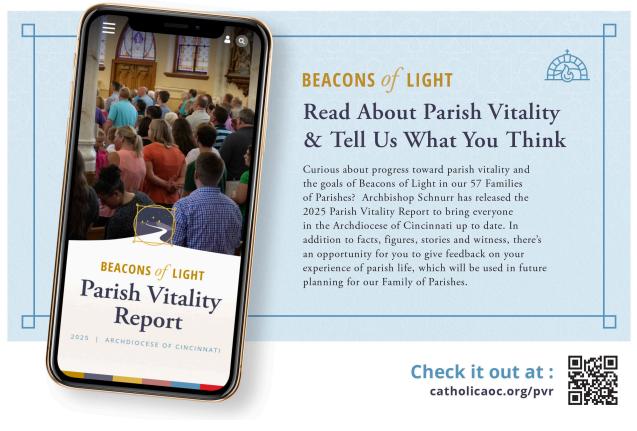
Use the QR code to view additional topics!







Scan for more details!



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Pray for the Sick

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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

The Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary Conference

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, Ohio presents "The Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Conference." Join us August 1st and 2nd for inspiring speakers and beautiful music and liturgy. Learn about the love Jesus and Mary pour out to us through their sacred hearts from Bishop Fernandes, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Dr. Ceil Dorger, Nicholas Hardesty, Holly Schapker, and more! Register today at olhsc.org/events.

Retrouvaille - Help for Your Marriage

HOPE for couples going through difficult times in their marriages. Retrouvaille is a program of healing and renewal consisting of one weekend and six follow-up sessions over the course of two months. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on April 4-6, 2025, call 513-486-6222 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

Fenwick Theater Performs

The Addams Family: School Edition!

The Fenwick Theater Program invites you to their production of The Addams Family: School Edition!

Performances will be at the Sorg Opera House in Middletown:

- . Friday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m.
- . Saturday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, March 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 each. Visit the Bishop Fenwick school webiste for more information and to purchase tickets. We hope to see you there!



Learning, planning and being prepared is a part of life. Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Archdiocese of Cincinnati is here to help you understand Church teachings, so that planning end of life decisions can be made with peace of mind.

ATTEND A COMPLIMENTARY **PREPLANNING SEMINAR THIS 2025!** Tuesday, March 25 at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., or 6 p.m. RSVP 513-489-0300 Being prepared is everything!



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