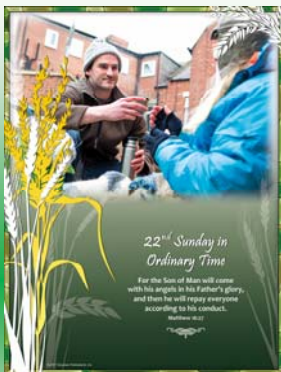




Welcome to all who celebrate the Mass with us today. May God's grace and peace fill us all so that we can serve one another in unity and love.

TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Tides do turn. Jeremiah laments that the Lord has duped him. Because of his faithfulness to God he had become an object of scorn and derision. But God was to vindicate Jeremiah and his prophecy – when things looked bleak to Jeremiah he remained faithful and things changed. But life sometimes moves in the other direction as well. Just after Peter is declared the “Rock” on which the Church is founded, he attempts to “spare” Jesus the will of the Father and is ranked with Satan. It is our task to accomplish the will of the Father no matter how threatening the weather looks. It is not our task to avoid the storm because

we think we have a “better idea” than God has put forth.

This Sunday the readings are: (1) Jeremiah 20, 7-9
(2) Romans 12, 1-2 (3) Matthew 16, 21-27. (**Gather# 1155 Year A**)
Next Sunday the readings will be: (1) Ezekiel 33, 7-9
(2) Romans 13, 8-10 (3) Matthew 18, 15-20. (**Gather# 1158 Year A**)



Masses For The Week

SAT: 4:00PM Bill & Dorathea Fortener, 25th Wedding Anniversary, off: Kathy Latham (April 4, 2017)
SUN: 11:15AM For the Parish
MON: 9:00AM Albert Meyer Jr., off: James & Mary Meyer
TUE: 8:30AM Marietta St. John, off: Patricia Boettcher
SAT: 4:00PM Lucille B. Porter, off: Pat Hicks
SUN: 11:15AM For the Parish

STEWARDSHIP

Collections for August 27, 2017

Regular Collection & loose cash (148 envelopes)	\$6,601.00
Children's (2 envelopes)	\$6.00
Capital Improvement Donations (8 envelopes)	\$420.00
Total collections for August 27, 2017	\$7,027.00

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

PLEASE REMEMBER MHC IN YOUR WILL

The parish gratefully accepts donations of stock. A tax deduction for a gift of appreciated securities to a charity equals its full fair market value.

St. Vincent de Paul collects monetary donations at the doors after Mass on the 3rd weekend of every month.

Visit the parish web site at: www.mhccparish.com



The MHC Holiday Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, November 4 and Sunday, November 5 and is fast approaching. Please mark your calendars for this annual event. We may need a few more people this year to help coordinate and chair some of the booths. If you would be interested in helping with a booth please contact Julie Sewell @ 878-8353. We are always happy to receive basket donations that can be raffled. If you have anything that you would like to donate please contact Rita Bland @ 864-1010 or Julie Sewell @ 878-8353 to make arrangements. Your help would really be appreciated.



Reminder: The parish office will be closed **Monday, September 4, 2017 for the Labor Day holiday.** There will be Mass **Monday morning at 9:00AM.**

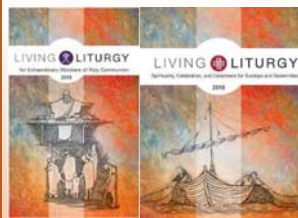
Have you ever wondered what the Catholic Church believes about certain topics?



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

Have you ever wished to know more about faith? Now you can learn from the comfort of home or even when you're on the go. Just go online to www.formed.org scroll down to *Does your parish already have formed?* and enter the code: **J72WK2.(must be all CAPS).** Then hit *submit..* Fill out personal login information... From this point forward, “Login” using your personal account. Explore the site and you will be pleasantly surprised at the volume of movies, faith formation and e-books available at no cost to you. It's some of the best Catholic content all in one place and just a click away.

Living Liturgy Order



Anyone wishing to order a **Living Liturgy** or a **Living Liturgy for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** book for the next liturgical year can call Julie @ 878-8353 before October 31.



ENCOUNTERING THE MYSTERY: An Overview of Eucharistic Theology Sunday Mornings 10:00 - 11:00AM in St. Francis Hall COMING IN OCTOBER

All adult parishioners are invited to grow in their understanding and love for the Eucharist by participating in this educational DVD series being offered this fall and winter from 10:00 -11:00AM in St. Francis Hall beginning on October 8. We will explore the many aspects of this wondrous sacrament. These will include some considerations of the New Testament origins of Eucharistic practices and belief, consideration of how Eucharistic rituals and thinking developed over the centuries, some glimpses on the challenges and struggles in articulating appropriate theologies of the Eucharist in different ages and different contexts and consideration of the basic teachings about the Eucharist as an experience of real presence and of sacrifice. Come and learn more about the gift and mystery of the Eucharist we treasure so deeply.

St. Vincent de Paul Furniture



We are looking for a few good couches and beds/mattresses to help our neighbors in need. Please contact Bill & Jane Doorley @ 879-5848 or 902-5393.

TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSR News: Our Parish School of Religion program will begin on Sunday, September 17. We have mailed out registration forms to last year's registered families. If you will be new to our program, please call 878-7325 and leave your name and address so we can send you the information and registration forms. **First Eucharist information is included in the registration packets.**

PSR News

We will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at the 4:00PM Mass. Mark your calendars

Parents: In accordance to Archdiocesan policy 2102.02 (Every child/youth should participate in some form of religious education recognized/approved by the parish). PSR (Parish School of Religion) registration packets will be sent to all parish children not currently known to be attending Catholic schools later this summer. Parents wishing to home school their children in the faith are to note Archdiocesan policy 2106.02 (Families who choose home-based religious education should follow the Archdiocesan guidelines for catechesis and sacrament preparation. See *Guidelines for Home-Based Religious Education*). To prevent problems when Sacramental preparation and celebrations occur, these parents should contact the Director of Religious Education to register their children with the Archdiocese and parish as home-schooled, order appropriate materials to be used, and set up the guidelines for an appropriate curriculum. Please call Molly @ 878-7325.

Are you grieving the death of a loved one?

Mary, Help of Christians has a grief support group to care for people on their bereavement journey in a Christ centered environment. This is an opportunity for individuals to share their personal experience of grief with other bereaved persons who understand their pain. If you are interested, our monthly meeting is the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 10:00AM – Noon in St. Francis Hall. Call Molly Hynes Collinsworth @ 878-7325 or email @ mollymhc@gmail.com for more information. **Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19, 2017.**

"Be still and know that I am God..." Psalm 46 **CENTERING PRAYER GROUP** is open to all parishioners. Centering Prayer is silent prayer that emphasizes prayer as a personal relationship with God and as a movement beyond conversation to communion with God. The focus of Centering Prayer is the deepening of our relationship with the living Christ. We often gather after morning Mass on Mondays and Tuesdays for a 20 minute period of centering prayer. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month in St. Francis Hall from 7:00-8:30PM for prayer and continuing education. Please call Pat Scanlon at 878-0461 for more information. Next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 26, 2017.**

MHC EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

4TH MONDAY EACH MONTH, EVENINGS

All are invited to come and spend some quiet moments with our Lord on the 4th Monday evening each month from 7:00-8:00PM in the church. What a wonderful opportunity to pray. For more information call Pat Scanlon @ 878-0461 or Carolyn Marth @ 308-4639. **Monday, September 25, 2017.**



Enjoy God's Creation! All are invited to spend some quiet time in St. Francis Meditation Garden! The garden is open from Dawn to Dusk. The entrance is near the St. Francis Hall garage door. We care for the garden on Tuesday around 9:00am. If you would like more information or to help care for the garden, please call Beverly @ 878-6060.



BINGO

The Fairborn Knights of Columbus has BINGO every Wednesday night in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00PM and Instants start selling at 5:30PM. Early Bird Games start at 6:15PM and regular games start at 7:00PM. Packages start at \$12.00 (12 faces). Last series of the night is a \$1000 cover all in 50 numbers or less, 51 numbers for \$750 and then played out for \$500. (Prize reduced if under 80 players) A portion of the profit is donated back to our parish. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to work one night a month call Eric Rogalinski @ 657-6958.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

The next two Baptismal Preparation Classes for parents seeking baptism for young children are being held next Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 12:30PM and Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 12:30PM in the Church. Please call the parish office @ 878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending one of these classes.



MUSIC MINISTRY: Music Ministry News:

We welcome new members! Come and share your talents and help us to create a vibrant music ministry at our parish. Seasoned instrumentalists are welcome. Don't be shy, contact our music director Julian Calvin, for an informal audition julian.calvin1@gmail.com or call 878-8092. We rehearse on most Tuesdays from 6:30PM-8:30PM. It is very important that choir members attend rehearsals and warm ups. Your commitment is greatly appreciated. **WHY WE SING AT MASS**

"God has bestowed upon His people the gift of song. God dwells within each human person, in the place where music takes its source. Indeed, God, the Giver of song, is present whenever His people sing His praises." **"SING TO THE LORD: MUSIC IN DIVINE WORSHIP"**

SAVE THE DATE-2017 Family Rosary Rally Sunday,

October 8, 2017 at Immaculate Conception Church, 2300 Smithville Road. Fr. Ethan Moore, will be the Presider. Prelude Music at 2:00PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Live Rosary Benediction at 2:30.



Parish Satellite Library Something New

A large number of books from the Parish Library have been relocated to the Usher's Room/ Satellite Library in the church. This move will make it more convenient for parishioners to select reading material. Access to this collection can be made online at www.mhcparish.com and click on



religious library. Come and check it out! We are open during PSR and Saturdays and Sundays after Mass.

The Archdiocesan Office for Marriage & Family Life has gifted Mary, Help of Christian with the book, Primal Loss: the Now-Adult Children of Divorce Speak. This book addresses the wounds suffered by children of divorce. It further, explores the role of Jesus Christ and His Church in healing these wounds.

Mary, Help of Christians parish satellite library has the book available to check out. For more information call Carol Maiorano @ 340-6084.

To see all the wonderful books available go to <http://mhc.libib.com/i/mary-help-of-christians-library>



The Loving Memory section on the back of our weekly bulletin will allow you to honor a deceased loved one by including them in the "In loving Memory" section. If interested please clip and fill in this slip.

You can put the slip in the collection or mail it to the parish. You will be billed by Diocesan Publications, the bulletin publisher. If interested, please call the parish office, or you may contact **Mark Mazza** directly for pricing at [513-392-6768](tel:513-392-6768) or mmazza@diocesan.com.

Thank you for your support.

Mary, Help of Christians Church # 389
Fairborn, Oh.

Loved One's Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

(make checks payable to Diocesan Publications)

Phone number: _____

Divorce Support Ministry

If you are a Catholic who is newly divorced or separated, you may be going through a very difficult time right now. You should not have to feel isolated or cut off from the Catholic Church. Your Church is here to offer the support and ministry you need and deserve. There are two excellent Catholic-Sponsored divorce-recovery support groups in the local area to help men and women heal from this life trauma. Both groups feature nationally recognized experts on divorce through professional video input and small group discussions. There are such recovery topics as anger, loneliness, new relationships, annulments, etc.

CATHOLIC-SPONSORED DIVORCE CARE

13 weeks, held on Thursday evenings, 7:00PM-9:00PM from **September 7 to December 7** at **St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245**

Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. Cost: is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available. For more information, or to register, call Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 or mtoma@woh.rr.com

CATHOLIC DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide

12 weeks, held on Monday evenings, 7-8:30PM from **August 28 to November 20** in the "Candle Room" of **St. Christopher's Church in Vandalia.** Cost: is \$25 per person. Register Online at:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=670e37> - Questions: Call Noreen Wendeln at Family & Respect Life Office (937) 222-0227.

Is There Anyone Sick Among You?

If you are going to the hospital; if someone in your family is in the hospital; or if you know of a parishioner in the hospital, please call the parish office and let us know! Due to privacy rules the hospitals no longer call us unless specifically requested by the patient. Also, if you know of a parishioner that is sick or homebound for an extended period, please call the Rectory Office @ 878-8353.

National Day of Remembrance:



The 5th Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children will be Saturday, September 9, 2017. The Daughters of Isabella, Marian Circle 911 and Knights of Columbus Council 3724 will be participating again this year by holding a prayer service at our own Memorial for the Unborn after the 4:00PM Mass which is in front of the statue of Mary at the far end of MHC Parish Center. Please join with us in saying a Pro-Life Rosary at our nationally listed site dedicated to the memory of aborted children. After the service, plan to attend the parish dinner sponsored by the K of C being held in the Parish Center Hall. All families and individuals are invited to participate in this special event. Unite in the fellowship while having a good meal. If you have questions or need more information, please call the K of C Offices @ 878-2909 or Annie @ 409-5299.

K of C Parish Dinner Saturday, September 9, 2017



September 9th marks the start of our third series of Parish Dinners. We'll be starting this year the same way we did last, with one of our most popular entrees, roast chicken, green beans, buttered parsley potatoes, salad and a special surprise dessert. You get all this for just \$10 for adults \$5 for children. We'll be serving in the Parish Center right after the 4:00 Mass. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

What is the Handy Helpers Ministry? Volunteers from our parish make small home repairs and do "round-the-house" projects for elderly, disabled, and single parents. Materials are the responsibility of the homeowner, but the labor is free. (For those in need, St. Vincent de Paul and other donations may provide some materials.) Among the services that may be done are yard work, painting, carpentry, minor electrical work, general repairs, window washing, gardening, mending and other handy-person jobs. For more information or to request the services of a handy-helper, please call the Parish Office @ 878-8353. If you have skills that could be put to good use in this ministry, you are invited to call and join our "Handy Helpers."

Add JOY to your life this fall!

All adult parishioners and friends are invited to attend JOY Club which will resume meeting on Monday, September 11th at 1:00PM in St. Francis Hall. **JOY Club** meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from September through June from 1:00PM-3:00PM. Come to **enJOY** an afternoon of cards, games or bingo along with fellowship and refreshments with your fellow parishioners and friends. Watch the bulletin for more information. Come feel the **JOY!**



DISABLED AND WHEELCHAIR SEATING...
Available in the left front section of the church.

Beginning **September 6, 2017**

Joe Hand will present
Jeff Cavins' Bible Timeline: God's Plan for our Salvation

7:00 - 8:15PM

Part 1: 8 sessions—Wednesday evening
September 6 - October 25

**St. Francis Hall
at
Mary, Help of Christians**

**All are Welcome!
Bring a friend!**

**No registration!
No fees!**

EARLY WORLD
Creation to 2000 BC
Turquoise
(The color of the earth viewed from space)
Genesis 1-11

Egypt and EXODUS
1700-1280 BC
Red
(The Red Sea)
Exodus
Leviticus

DESERT WANDERINGS AND JUDGES

CONQUEST

ROYAL KINGDOM

DIVIDED KINGDOM

EXILE
722-538 BC
Blue
Babylonians (used to strip the land of fertility)
Daniel, Esther, Judith, Lamartine, Obediah

RETURN
538-167 BC
Yellow
(Judah returned to home land)

MACCABEAN REVOLT
167 BC-AD 1
Orange
Fire in the oil lamps in the purified Temple
1 Maccabees

MESSIANIC FULFILLMENT
AD 1-33
Gold
(The gifts of the Magi)
Luke

THE CHURCH
AD 33-
White
(The spotless bride of Christ)
Acts

Matthew, Mark, John
Paul's Letters, Other Letters, Revelation

Zechariah, Haggai, Esther, Daniel, Lamartine, Obediah

1 & 2 Kings
1 & 2 Chronicles
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon

Job

Isaiah

Jeremiah

Amos

Hosea

Joel

Obadiah

Judith

Esther

Daniel

Lamentations

Obediah

Zechariah

Haggai

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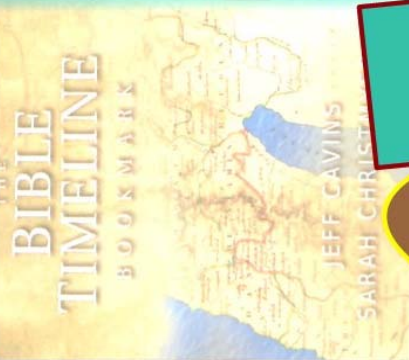
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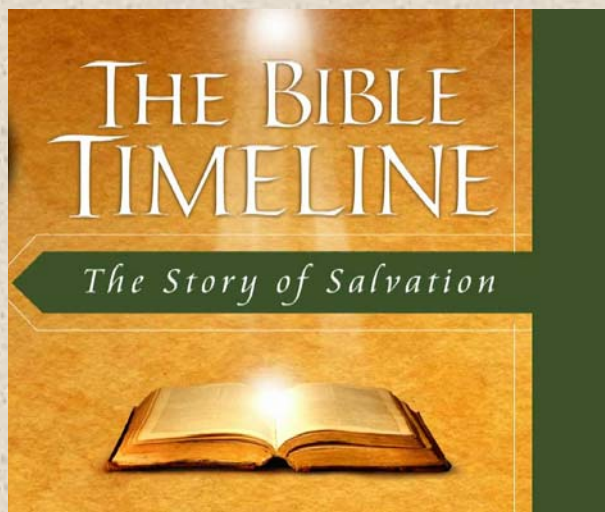
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THE BIBLE TIME LINE COMING THIS WEEK!!



Join us as we begin our next Adult Faith-Formation Series at Mary Help of Christians Parish. This series goes for just 8 weeks; each session will last 75 minutes, and the sessions will be offered on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM .

Our first session will be THIS WEEK

on Wednesday, September 6 in St. Francis Hall.

There is NO COST and NO REGISTRATION. This program is called the *Bible Timeline: God's Plan for our Salvation*. The program is NOT a Bible study per se. During the seven sessions, we are going to examine the first two books of the Bible- Genesis and Exodus- and we are going to look for God's plan for our happiness. That plan is revealed in story form, but it is somewhat hidden. Our goal in this series is to discover that plan, to learn it, and to walk and live in it. There will be two presenters: Jeff Cavins- the originator of the program will be with us via DVD; the other presenter is Joe Hand, a parishioner from Saint Peter Parish. Both presenters will bring you the information in creative and humorous fashion. Mark your calendars for Wednesday evenings: We start Wednesday, September 6 at 7:00PM-8:30PM in St. Francis Hall. If you have any questions, please call Joe Hand @ (937) 329-0912 or Molly Hynes Collinsworth, DRE @ 878-7325.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Offering Envelopes:



Did you know, if you drop your MHC offering envelope into the collection basket at any other Catholic church in the area you might attend, they will return those envelopes and offerings to us? Likewise, we will return any other church's envelopes/offerings to those parishes if placed in our collection basket.

To all our parishioners: please do use your envelopes for your offerings, as this makes it easier for our money count teams to count the collection. Thank you!

If you have not yet registered at our parish, we invite you to become a member by picking up a registration form found in the bin on the wall near the church front doors. Your completed form can be dropped in the collection basket, or mailed to the parish office, or brought in to the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!

GROWING CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH SPIRITUAL DIRECTION



Spiritual Direction is really not about being "directed," it is about being encouraged to draw closer to God. In spiritual direction you reflect deeply on the experiences of your daily life. You may come to realize how God's spirit is truly with you every day and everywhere. You discover that God has been waiting for you to seek this closer relationship. A person may come to spiritual direction for many reasons, including to: find encouragement and affirmation; share struggles, losses or disappointments; integrate spirituality into your daily life; grow in relationship with God, self, others and creation. After completing a two year training in spiritual direction I am offering to journey with you as you deepen your relationship with God. This involves confidential, one-on-one sessions, usually once a month for an hour. For more information or to make an appointment call Pat Scanlon @ 878-0461 or 572-2530.



A Gourmet Dinner

Featuring Recipes & Culinary Expertise
of Award Winning Chef

Katy Paxson

Sunday, September 17, 2017

PRESENTED BY DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Appetizers and Drinks

(MHC St. Francis Hall)

Dinner

(Mary Help of Christians Parish Center)

Strawberry Spinach Salad

Baby spinach tossed in a cider vinaigrette topped with feta cheese, diced apples, English cucumbers, toasted almonds, and fresh strawberries.

Chipotle Rubbed Flank Steak

Sweet Potato Noodle Bowl

Sweet potatoes, spiraled into the shape of linguine noodles, sautéed with kale, corn, red onions, and bell peppers and tossed in a light pineapple sauce.

*A seared and sliced smoked chipotle pepper dry rubbed flank steak
(non spicy available)*

All topped with chimichurri sauce, cilantro and lime juice pesto.

Desserts

(MHC St. Francis Hall)

\$15.00 Per Person

RSVP: By Monday, September 11, 2017

Mary Alice Paxson @ 937 878-3816 or Alice Smith @ 937 864-1217

Please specify if you will bring an appetizer or dessert at time of RSVP.

EVERY KID IS ONE CARING ADULT AWAY FROM A SUCCESS STORY



Children are our future and as parents we worry about bringing them up in the world today. On September 26 youth and adults, parents and teachers, grandparents and

businessmen are invited to attend a free event featuring teen behavior specialist and acclaimed speaker, Josh Shipp. He will be speaking in Tipp City at Ginghamburg Church from 6:30-8:30PM. Admission is without charge, but reservations are recommended as the tickets will go fast. Registration can also be done by calling FYI @ 937-845-0403 and leaving a message, if necessary, with your name, address, phone number, and email. Go to the FYI website for registration information www.fyiohio.org.

FYI MENTORING SET TO BEGIN

Family and Youth Initiatives mentoring program in Tecumseh and Greenon middle and high schools is set to begin in early September. Needed are compassionate men and women who want to make a difference. Mentors are trained, given videos to watch for talking points, and meet with their mentees once a week at the school. Only experience necessary is to have a love of teens and a desire to help change lives. Please call Julie, at FYI, 845-0403, for more information. "Every teen is one caring adult away from a success story."

You can be that difference!