

Weekday Readings

Monday, May 4: ACTS 14:5-18; JN 14:21-26
 Tuesday, May 5: ACTS 14:19-28; JN 14:27-31A
 Wednesday, May 6: ACTS 15:1-6; JN 15:1-8
 Thursday, May 7: ACTS 15:7-21; JN 15:9-11
 Friday, May 8: ACTS 15:22-31; JN 15:12-17
 Saturday, May 9: ACTS 16:1-10; JN 15:18-21
 Sunday, May 10: ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;
 1JN 4:7-10; JN 15:9-17

Prayer List

Please pray for: Bishop John Kinney, Dorothy Ludwig, Lori Crozon, Lisa Heinen, Jane Anderson, Lucille Lahr, Tim Eder, Elizabeth Mills, Jackie Boulton Family, Ruth Johnson, Carol Bacon, Theresa Welle and Mary Spartz.

Parish Secretary Hours (These hours are subject to change. It is always best to call before you come.)

Monday: 8:00-11:00 Assumption, 11:30-4:30 St. Anthony
 Tuesday: 7:30-4:00 St. Anthony
 Wednesday: 7:30-11:00 St. Anthony, 11:30-3:00 Assumption
 Thursday: 7:30-4:00 St. Anthony
 Friday: 8:00-11:00 Assumption 11:30-3:30 St. Anthony

Activities & Announcements

Catholicism Series

The Catholicism DVD Series study group will next meet on May 15th for the morning session (after Mass) and will meet next on May 22nd for the evening session (6:30-8:00) at the Assumption Church. All are welcome, anytime!



Local Events

May 5th: Daughters of Isabella Annual Spring Salad Buffet Supper, St. Louis Catholic Church, Paynesville, 6:30. All D of I members and KC members and their guests are welcome. \$6 tickets, call Julie, 453-3891, or Mary, 243-4848, for reservations.

May 6th: EVW Special Olympics 5K. Run, Walk, Bike or Blade! Registration in from 7-7:45 am at the Eden Valley Elementary School. Starts at 8 am.

May 6th: The American Red Cross will be in Eden Valley from 1:00-7:00 PM at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Contact Bonnie at 282-1468 to schedule your appointment. Bring along your ID- it is required to donate.



Wedding Banns

To be married in Christ:

Megan Stommes & Scott Lardy will be united in marriage on May 23, 2015 at the Assumption Church.

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May 3rd, 2015

5th Sunday of Easter

Fr. Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB

Fr. Richard Gross, Retired Priest

Welcome to the Catholic Faith Community of



Church of the Assumption

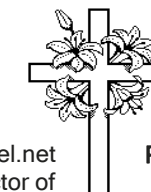
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Adam Teicher, Maintenance,

STEUBENVILLE SPOT If you take the time to check the statistics today regarding our Youth and their Catholic Faith, you will find there are approximately 80% of Catholic Youth that are no longer Catholic by the time they reach age 23. An overwhelming reality that points to two major factors; 1) Our youth's spiritual needs are not being met by just attending religious education classes for 8-12 years for an hour or less a week. 2) There is what is called "a culture of death" (google it) lurking out there enticing our youth with the I, me, and mine philosophy, glamorizing violence, contraceptives, abortion, euthanasia. A culture that offers up a meal of good and plenty with the main entree being "choice" served with a side of "feels good," and "best for me." FACT is our youth can be engaged and educated in their Catholic faith more robustly. We cannot continue to only rely on a limited youth ministry given minimal time to devote to catechesis and religious education. We need an arsenal of tactics. Our youth need to experience their Catholic faith through various approaches. Approaches that offer up engagement with their faith, through excitement for who they are, as they are created by God, and where they belong. Approaches that allow them to deepen their sense of faith through energizing presentations of that same beautiful faith witnessed by them in the company of their peers. Parents, Grandparents, Godparents this is one of those additional approaches. All youth are being called to... **COME TO STEUBENVILLE, BE THAT WITNESS, SEE AND FEEL YOUR FAITH IN ACTION, KNOW WHO YOU ARE IN THE EYES OF GOD, AND WHERE YOU BELONG.** Registration Deadline - May 20. Call your parish office for more details. Cost for youth parishioners is \$50.00.

Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, May 4: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, May 5: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, May 6: 8:00 a.m. Mass- Marcella Mueller
 Thursday, May 7: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Friday, May 8: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Monica Huschle
 Saturday, May 9: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Mary Boeckmann
 Sunday, May 10: 10:00 a.m. Mass - All Mothers

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 5: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop - Mike & Arletta Turner
 Wednesday, May 6: 6:30 p.m. Mass- Julius Faber
 Thursday, May 7: 8:30 a.m. Mass at Manor - CCW Members
 Friday, May 8: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, May 9: 4:00 p.m. Mass - Bill Theis
 Sunday, May 10: 8:00 a.m. Mass - All Mothers

***Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's and at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption**

A Message from Father Jerome



EASTER V: Today's Scripture selections emphasize the need for Christians to abide in Christ as a condition for producing fruits of kindness, mercy, charity and holiness. In the Gospel, Jesus uses his favorite image of the vine and branches to help his disciples understand the closeness of their relationship with him and the

necessity of their maintaining it. The four Gospels teach us how to become true disciples of Jesus and how to abide in him as branches abide in the main trunk of the vine, drawing their life from it. Personal and liturgical prayers, frequenting of the sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation, daily and meditative reading of the Bible and selfless, loving acts of kindness, mercy and forgiveness enable us to abide in Jesus, the true vine, as fruit-bearing branches.

Let us salute our mothers: Mothers should be saluted 1) for their tenacious and sacrificial love for their children 2) for the tremendous impact they have on their children and 3) for their intimate relationship with us from birth to death. We learn to speak by calling "mom" and die with the same name on our lips. Special blessings in all the Masses to all the mothers.

Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 3: Wrap-up Mtg for Spring Brunch, 7:00 PM
Thursday, May 7: Building & Grounds Committee Mtg, 7:00PM
Sunday, May 10: Breakfast for teachers, aides and Faith Formation families, 9:00 AM
 End of Year Youth Mass, 10:00 AM
Sunday, May 17: Baccalaureate at Assumption, 7:00 PM
Sunday, June 7: Corpus Christi Procession

Ministry Schedule: May 9 & 10

Greeters: 7 p.m. Volunteers
 10 p.m. Youth

Gift Bearers: 7 p.m. Joe & Mary Kramer
 10 a.m. Youth

Lectors: 7 p.m. Lona Brutger
 10 a.m. Youth

Ushers: 7 p.m. Gene DeMorett, Gary Sogge & Mark Ruhland
 10 a.m. Youth

Ministers of Communion- H.M: Tom & Mary Mathies
 7 p.m. Sharon Schettler, Kris Gruenes & Mary Jo Ruhland
 10 a.m. Lisa Ludwig, Barb Nistler & Rhonda Kuechle

Servers: 7 p.m. Olivia Kuechle*, Brielle Kuechle,
 Leya Teicher & Drew Teicher
 10 a.m. Elaina Stommes, Adam Stommes,
 Cory Zimmerman & Noah Stommes

Rosary Leaders: May 4-8 Rose Becker
 7 p.m. Rose Becker 10 a.m. Youth

Music: 7 p.m. Chloe Cutten 10 a.m. Youth Choir

Collection Counters: Pat Arnold, Art Kuechle & Dorothy Brutger

Children's Liturgy: 1st Sunday: Helen Theis
 2nd Sunday: High School Youth
 3rd Sunday: Molly Z. & Janet Binsfeld
 4th Sunday: Jenni Scherer
 5th Sunday: Helen Theis

Financial Blessings

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| Parish Income | 4/26/15 | 4/27/14 |
| Loose Plate | 299.95 | 339.00 |
| Adult Envelopes | 2425.00 | 1906.00 |
| Youth Envelopes | 15.00 | 31.25 |
| Votive | 32.00 | 41.50 |
| Total | \$2771.95 | \$2317.75 |

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| Mass Attendance: | |
| Apr. 25, 7 p.m. | 81 |
| Apr. 26, 8 a.m. | 376 |
| Total | 457 |

Thank you for your Donations!



Share the Glory

Steubenville Shoe Drive -There are containers in the back of the churches. Please donate your gently worn shoes. These will be taken with our youth to the Steubenville Conference to be made ready-to-ship to youth/adults of developing countries. This Shoe Drive will run through the month of May. Thank you.

Married in Christ

Congratulations to April Ruprecht and Luke Schoenecker who were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, May 2nd at the Assumption Church.

End of Year Youth Mass

Our 2014-2015 Faith Formation classes have come to an end. Our last classes met on Thursday, April 30th. There will be an end-of-the-year youth Mass for Assumption on May 10th at 10am. There will be a breakfast in the lower level for families, teachers, and aides at 9:00. The 2nd graders will crown the outside statue of Mary with flowers after Mass. We invite you to a Celebration Mass on Sunday, May 10th at 10am. Students will be involved in the Liturgy by saying the rosary, singing, serving, reading and ushering. Come join in the Celebration. All are welcome!

Youth Choir

There will be a youth choir for the end-of-the-year youth Mass on Sunday, May 10. Practices for the choir will be on Wednesday, April 29th and Wednesday, May 6th from 6:00-7:00 at church. Any 3rd-12th grade student is invited, no rsvp necessary, but if you feel more comfortable, you can send a message to the faith formation office.

Second Collection

Next weekend we welcome Fr. Sabu Thomas at both parishes to speak to us about the missionary activities and challenges of the diocese of Tellicherry, India. There will be a second collection next weekend at each Mass for the missionary activities of that diocese. Please make any checks payable to the parishes. Thanks!

Spring Brunch Thank You!

Thank-you to all who worked and attended our spring brunch! We served 299 adults and 21 children. Total income: \$2476.00, total expenses: \$1369.08 for a profit of: \$1593.08. Wrap up meeting will be held Sunday evening -7:00pm church basement. Thanks, - Bev Neu, Assumption Guild President

Building & Grounds Committee Mtg

There will be a meeting of the Building and Grounds Committee on Thursday, May 7 at 7:00 PM.

Gift Bearer & Greeter Sign-up

There will be sign-up sheets for anyone interested in being greeters or gift bearers for the weekend Masses. If interested, please sign your name and also list which Mass works best with your schedule (7 PM or 10 AM). Please consider signing up to help welcome people into our church and also to participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist by carrying up the gifts.

Usher Sign-up

The new usher schedule will be made and distributed soon. If you would like to be a new volunteer to help with this ministry please sign-up in the back of church and indicate which Mass best fits your schedule.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 4: Mary's Cenacle, 7:00 PM
 Knights of Columbus, Marty

Tuesday, May 5: CCW Meeting, 7:00 rectory

Wednesday, May 6: All Student Mass/Mary Crowning, 6:30 PM at Church

Thursday, May 7: Thrift Store is open 9:00 AM

Saturday, May 9: Thrift Store is open 9:00 AM

Ministry Schedule: May 9 & 10

Servers: 4 p.m. Brad Dockendorf, Brooke Geislinger,
 Alison Olson & Troy Geislinger
 8 a.m. Matt Schindler, Kayla Schindler,
 Madison Mueller & Stephanie Kelly

Lectors: 4 p.m. Kelly Meierhofer
 8 a.m. Rich Stenger

Eucharistic Ministers:
 4 p.m. Gene & Sherry Asfeld
 8 a.m. Betty Vossen & Tami Asfeld

Ushers: 4 p.m. Joe Rathmann, Chuckie Unterberger,
 Don Schmitt & Doris Rathmann
 8 a.m. Earl Dockendorf, Ralph Huberty,
 Tammy Winter & Joe Rathmann

Rosary Leaders:
 4 p.m. Jan Vossen & Lori Unterberger
 8 a.m. Sharon Simmons

Homebound: Dolores Faber, 764-2185

Church Cleaning - April 26-May 9

Joseph Kuechle, Edwin Kuechle,
 Willard Kuechle and Joe Kuechle
 and Families

*Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock the church.

-Thank You!

We would like to extend a big thank you to all the cleaners who are listed that come forth week after week to keep our beautiful church looking nice. Thank You!

Financial Blessings

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| Parish Income | 4/25-4/26 | Mass Attendance: | |
| Adult Envelopes | 1602.00 | Apr.25, 4:00 p.m. | 141 |
| Loose Plate | 60.25 | Apr.26, 10:00 a.m. | 130 |
| Weekly Auto Drafts | 90.00 | Total | 271 |
| Youth | 6.50 | | |
| Votive | 13.00 | | |
| Building Fund | 1010.00 | Thank you for your | Donations! |
| Total | \$2781.75 | | |

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| New Parish Center | 4/20/15 |
| Our Goal | 1,600,000.00 |
| Expenses Paid | (\$135,907.31) |
| Funds on Hand | 1,069,135.61 |
| Remaining Goal | \$394,957.08 |

We reached our current "funds on hand" goal, but we still need an additional \$227,314.16 in new pledges.

Mary Crowning/All Student Mass

Please join the St. Anthony's youth for Mass on Wednesday, May 6th at 6:30PM as the St. Anthony Faith Formation program celebrates the end of the faith formation year with an all student Mass led by the 7th-9th graders. All students are to report directly to church and they are to sit with their families (except the 2nd graders- they will be sitting together as a class). The 1st Communicants from this year will have a special role in the crowning of Mary and are asked to wear their 1st Communion gowns and dress clothes. All students should attend this end-of-the-year Mass and enjoy root beer floats afterward!

Mother's Day Flowers

Preorder forms will be available at all the entrances now through May 3rd to order flowers for Mother's Day. Call Ethel Donnan at 398-7332 with questions.

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Bishops Blessings

Bishop John LeVoiur is coming to Watkins on May 11th to bless the new Gethsemane Chapel at the Hilltop Care Center at 5:00 PM. Bishop LeVoiur will also be blessing the cornerstone for the St. Anthony's new parish center at 7:00 PM. Please join us as we welcome these to two new and exciting changes to our parish community!

CCW meeting

Join us on May 7 @ 7:00 in the rectory for our meeting. Things we will be discussing include the voting on accepting our budget for next year, report on the NUDCCW Convention in Olivia, Resource & Guidance training meeting and Father Tony Stubeda's anniversary. Enrichment will be a presentation on "Spiritual Adoption" by Mary Jo Ruhland. Hope to see you there! Kathy Erpelding Co-president

Watkins City-Wide Garage Sale

The Watkins city-wide garage sale will be held on Saturday, May 16th from 8:00 AM -2:00 PM. Contact Gloria at 764-2791 to get your sale listed on the map. Maps will be available the day of the sale at Flash's Gas & Auto and Stein's Thriftway.

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Words of the Risen Christ

The Church of St. Anthony welcomes anyone to attend our new discussion group "Words of the Risen Christ: A Bible Study on Jesus' Resurrection". We will meet at the St. Anthony rectory on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM. All are welcome!

Festival News

St. Anthony's "Picnic in the Park" will be held SUNDAY, JUNE 21 (Father's Day), from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. A Polka Mass will be at 10:00 AM followed by food and festivities.