



*“Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord”*

*~Psalm 34*

**August 22, 2021**

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Holy Martyrs Catholic Church**

**3100 OLD WEYMOUTH RD MEDINA, OH 44256**

## Mass Intentions

For the week of August 21 - August 29

Sat	4:30 PM	Deceased members of the Matras & Pfiffner Families
Sun	9:30 AM	Edward Glinka
	11:30 AM	Parishioners
	5:00 PM	Lillian McQuate
Mon	Noon	Mary Lou Cavanagh
Tues	Noon	Vince & Dorothy Walsh
Wed	Noon	Kathryn Brian
Thurs	Noon	Carl and Mary Anderson
Fri	Noon	Oscar Olander
Sat	4:30 PM	Richard & Jeananne Pellas
Sun	9:30 AM	Joan Menillo
	11:30 AM	Tina Giesen
	5:00 PM	Parishioners

## This week at Holy Martyrs

Sun 08/22	Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
	Outside Mass	11:30 AM	Pavilion
	Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Pavilion
	Life Teen Parent Night	6:00 PM	Pavilion/ Martyrs Hall
Mon 08/23	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	Catechists Orientation	6:00 PM	Pfeiffer Hall B
	Stephen Ministers Leaders Meeting	6:30 PM	Via ZOOM
Tues 08/24	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	Journey for Kids	6:00 PM	Via ZOOM
Wed 08/25	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	Prayer Shawl Ministry	1:00 PM	PLC Room 103
Thurs 08/26	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	SPIRIT Prayer in the Chapel	4:00 PM	Chapel
	Stephen Ministry Training Session	6:00 PM	Room 102
Fri 08/27	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Sat 08/28	Reconciliation Mass	3:00 PM 4:30 PM	Chapel Worship Space
Sun 08/29	Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
	Outside Mass	11:30 AM	Pavilion
	Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Pavilion

## Daily Mass at Holy Martyrs

*Enrich your summer!*

Daily Mass is celebrated at 12:00 Noon  
Monday through Friday  
in the Worship Space.

Please join us.



### Parish Staff

Father Stephen Dohner  
*Pastor*

Diane Bruce  
*Director of Faith Formation*

Christopher Ilg  
*Director of Music*

Father Robert F. Pfeiffer  
*Pastor Emeritus*

Janet Payton  
*Pastoral Associate*

Skip McQuate  
*SPIRIT Coordinator*

Father Mark Ott  
*Weekend Priest*

Brandon Woods  
*Life Teen Coordinator*

Kaitlin Heneghan  
*Communications Coordinator*

Sr. Marie Ellen Kuhel  
*Bereavement Consultant*

## Parish News

### Join us outside in the Pavilion for Sunday Mass at 11:30 AM or 5:00 PM

Mass will take place in and around the picnic pavilion. For ease of access, you should plan to park in the back parking lot.



Please plan to bring your own lawn chair to sit on during Mass.

If weather is not conducive to sitting outdoors, Mass will be moved inside.

*There is a promise of marriage between:*



**II Wedding Banns**

*Alexis Smith and Patrick Beal*



### The PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

of Holy Martyrs has beautiful prayer shawls available for anyone who might derive comfort from a shawl.

These have been made with prayers for their comfort and healing. We want to reach out to those people in their time of need (loss of family member, going through cancer treatment, divorce, extended illness, etc.).

If you know of such a person, male or female, please contact Nancy Mayes, 330-764-3161 to obtain one of the shawls.

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on Wednesday, August 25 at 1:00 PM in Room 103.

### Diocese of Cleveland Faith and Values Appeal for Catholic Education August 21 & 22, 2021

*"Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Lk 18:16)*

The Diocese of Cleveland 2021-22 Faith & Values Appeal Collection to support tuition assistance will take place this weekend, August 21 and 22. Monies raised will be used for tuition assistance programs to provide faith-based education to students in need. More than 3,100 students receive need-based tuition assistance annually, thanks to the generosity of donors who believe in the value of Catholic Education.

Support of Catholic education ensures that students continue to have the opportunity to:

- Access academic excellence
- Prepare to lead productive lives in our society
- Grow in a life centered on Jesus Christ
- Hear the Gospel message
- Experience the joy of a worshipping community

To give to the Faith and Values Appeal for Catholic Education, use the envelope in your parish offertory packet or give online at [catholiccommunity.org/EdDonate](https://catholiccommunity.org/EdDonate).

## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Parish News

*Are you or someone you know struggling with challenges like...*

Isolation and loneliness  
Anxiety over health  
Grief due to losses  
Tension from juggling work, childcare and schooling  
Financial strain or job loss  
Uncertainty about the future  
Other unexpected life challenges?



If so, you don't have to face it alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support.

A Stephen Minister will meet with you privately - by phone, by video chat, or, if safely possible, in person - to offer care and support. Stephen Ministers are Holy Martyrs parishioners who have been specially trained to provide high quality Christian care. A Stephen Ministers' confidential emotional and spiritual care usually takes the form of a weekly meeting that happens as long as is needed.

If you need a friend or know someone who does, ask if a Stephen Minister can help.

Call Janet Payton at 330-722-6633

*"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."*  
~Matthew 11:28

*"You cannot receive what  
you don't give."*

*Share the Lord through  
Your Life!*



God created You *On Purpose*  
*With a Purpose!*

What are the special gifts God has given to you?  
How are you using those gifts?

Discover Your Gifts and Your Purpose by attending

*Fanning the Flames  
of Your Faith*

*A Strengths-Based Guide to Discipleship*

You are registering for **two** sessions:

**Retreat:** Saturday, Oct. 2, 8:30 – 12:30

Discover your talents

**Coaching Session:** Saturday, Oct. 9, 9:00am – 10:30am

Discover the opportunities available for using your gifts!

To register, scan QR Code:



Or go to: <http://holymartyrs.net/event-calendar/>

## Opportunities for Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

### Grateful Giving



Summer is almost over - have you made the switch to eGiving? It's a great way to support Holy Martyrs and grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts can streamline your stewardship and sustain our parish in the "dog days" of summer and throughout the year. You'll provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

To continue to make a difference in 2021, Holy Martyrs is reaching out to our parishioners. The more people use eGiving, the stronger foundation we will have for ministries that bring hope in times of uncertainty.

Just go to our parish website, [holymartyrs.net](http://holymartyrs.net). At the top of the page go to **"Next Steps"** and click on **"Give"** for information about *Faith Direct* and how to sign up.

**If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Therese McDonnell at 330-722-6633 or email [Tmcdonnell@holymartyrs.net](mailto:Tmcdonnell@holymartyrs.net)**

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.*

### Consider a Gift of Stock to Support the Ministries of Holy Martyrs

In gratitude for all that God has given us, we, as Christians, are called to give back to our community and our church. In addition to the Sunday offertory, one way of giving back might be transferring appreciated stock to help Holy Martyrs continue its mission to lead people to encounter Christ, grow in faith, and make disciples. By transferring stock directly to our parish, you may be able to avoid capital gains taxes.

For more information about what you need to do to make such a gift, please contact

Therese McDonnell at 330-722-6633 or  
[Tmcdonnell@holymartyrs.net](mailto:Tmcdonnell@holymartyrs.net)



Launched by Pope Francis, **MISSIO** connects you with communities around the world and helps you make a direct and lasting impact on the lives of others.

### Emergency: Earthquake relief for Haiti

Pope Francis has called us to unite with the people of Haiti saying, "May the solidarity of all alleviate the consequences of the tragedy!" His plea comes after a strong earthquake shook Haiti on August 14 causing countless deaths, wounding many, and causing extensive damage.



Help local priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay pastoral workers as they provide support for Haitian communities dealing with challenges that threaten public health and the human spirit.

Assistance is urgently needed for children and families, already facing COVID-19, to receive vital services such as food, water, and medicine. Your donations can facilitate pastoral care to many, as Church workers distribute humanitarian supplies and offer compassionate care.

Assistance is urgently needed for children and families, already facing COVID-19, to receive vital services such as food, water, and medicine. Your donations can facilitate pastoral care to many, as Church workers distribute humanitarian supplies and offer compassionate care.



For more information on this and other projects, please go to <https://www.missio.org/explore.aspx>

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 12:30 pm  
1:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Friday - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Phone: 330-722-6633 - Fax: 330-725-2193

Email: [churchoffice@holymartyrs.net](mailto:churchoffice@holymartyrs.net)

# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

## HM Kids / SPIRIT / Life Teen

### THE MINISTRY OF CATECHIST

*Haven't we all loved every moment of summer?*

As we see signs everywhere for returning to school, we too, are preparing for HM Kids to begin again with our annual Rally on Monday August 30th.

Families will be bringing their favorite picnic food and we will be providing the beverages for this event.

We have many fun surprises planned for that fun packed Rally.

**HERE IS OUR BIGGEST DEFICIT AS WE PREPARE FOR HM KIDS BEGINNING ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13 AND 14 FROM 6:00 – 7:15 P.M**

We are short 6 Catechists:

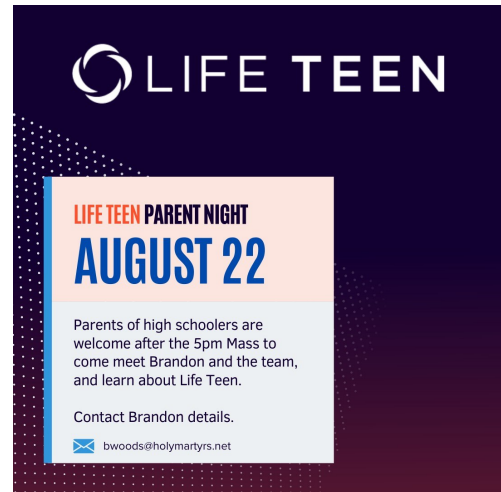
First grade Monday evening  
Third grade Monday evening  
Fourth grade Monday evening  
Fifth grade Monday evening  
Sixth grade Monday and Tuesday evening

This is the first time in 10 years that we have been at such a critical spot for Catechists. It is a commitment but there isn't anything worth doing more than supporting committed parents and guiding their children in their faith.

If you have been praying on the possibility of teaching please take a leap of faith and say yes to the Holy Spirit.

Yours in Christ,

***Diane Bruce***  
***Director of Faith Formation***



**Life Teen** will meet today, Sunday, August 22 at 5:00 PM for Mass with **LIFE NIGHT** following at 6:00 PM.

**Spirit**  
at Holy Martyrs

**SPIRIT**, our 7th and 8th grade youth group program, will begin on Sunday, August 29, 2021 with 5:00 Mass and end at 7:30 PM. The registration will be coming soon via email. Check out the **SPIRIT** section of the Holy Martyrs website for more information.



**SPIRIT is on the Holy Martyrs website, Facebook and Instagram.**

### HMKIDS FALL START-UP

Time to plan for our **HMKIDS RALLY/PICNIC** on August 30th beginning at 5:30 p.m. with registration in the **PARISH LIFE CENTER**

Bring a blanket and food to picnic on the grounds around the pond and the pavilion or behind the Parish Life Center green space.

At 6:15 we will begin the Festival of Song followed by games and Meet the Catechist. A registration invitation to the rally has been sent to your email. On line registration for HM Kids is also now available.

If you have not received an email with information for the rally or to register for HM Kids, please contact the HM Kids office at 330-952-1466.

## Throughout the Diocese

### EMPLOYMENT NETWORK GROUP

If you are an executive, professional or manager who is looking for employment opportunities, we encourage you to connect with our Employment Network Group. This parish networking group meets twice a month at the following locations:

For more information about the Employment Network Group, please contact Erin Rankin at [erinremote@yahoo.com](mailto:erinremote@yahoo.com).

### Help for victims of domestic abuse

Victims of domestic abuse may call the BATTERED WOMEN'S SHELTER of Summit & Medina Counties' confidential hotline for help 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Medina County Hotline 330-723-3900  
Toll Free 877-414-1344  
Summit County Hotline 330-374-1111

### *Giving is Easy*



For more information go to  
<http://holymartyrs.net/next-steps/give/>



### Retrouvaille of Cleveland Sept. 10 - 12, 2021

The Retrouvaille Program is for Married Couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship.

- A Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship.
- A Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend.
- Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect.

Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

Spaces are still available.

For more information or to register go to  
[www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) or email  
[3031@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3031@retrouvaille.org)