



*"The one who does justice will live in the  
presence of the Lord."*

*~Psalm 15*

**August 29, 2021  
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Holy Martyrs Catholic Church  
3100 OLD WEYMOUTH RD MEDINA, OH 44256**

## Mass Intentions

For the week of August 28 - September 5

Sat	4:30 PM	Richard & Jeananne Pellas
Sun	9:30 AM	Joan Menillo
	11:30 AM	Tina Giesen
	5:00 PM	Parishioners
Mon	Noon	Glen Bohusch
Tues	Noon	Helen Mulhan
Wed	Noon	Ben and Dolores Naidznski
Thurs	Noon	Helen Volk
Fri	Noon	Kathleen Smith
Sat	4:30 PM	Jane English
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners
	11:30 AM	Kenneth & Florence Gulling
	5:00 PM	Cooper Gatewood

## This week at Holy Martyrs

Sun 08/29	Mass Outside Mass Contemporary Mass	9:30 AM 11:30 AM 5:00 PM	Worship Space Pavilion Pavilion
Mon 08/30	Daily Mass HM Kids August Rally	12:00 6:00 PM	Worship Space Pavilion
Tues 08/31	Daily Mass Journey for Kids	12:00 6:00 PM	Worship Space Via ZOOM
Wed 09/01	Daily Mass Employment Network Group Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision Choir Rehearsal	12:00 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Space Martyrs Hall Room 102 Worship Space
Thurs 09/02	Daily Mass SPIRIT Prayer in the Chapel Stephen Ministry Training Session Taizé Prayer Service	12:00 4:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 pm	Worship Space Chapel Room 102 Worship Space
Fri 09/03	Daily Mass Red Cross Blood Drive	12:00 2:00 PM	Worship Space Martyrs Hall
Sat 09/04	Catechists Meeting NO RECONCILIATION Mass	10:00 AM 3:00 PM 4:30 PM	Martyrs Hall Chapel Worship Space
Sun 09/05	Mass Outside Mass Contemporary Mass	9:30 AM 11:30 AM 5:00 PM	Worship Space Pavilion 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.



### LABOR DAY OBSERVANCE

In observance of Labor Day, the Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 and Daily Mass at Noon will not be celebrated.

Wishing everyone a safe and Happy Labor Day!

### 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 will again start meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at Holy Martyrs, Martyrs Hall (off the back parking lot).

The next meeting is Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

First-time attendees should plan to come to a short orientation session at 6:30 p.m. The regular group meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.

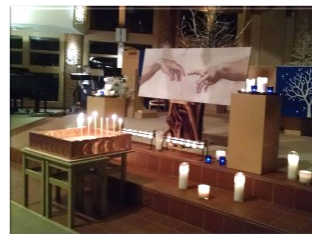
For more information about the Employment Network Group, please contact Erin Rankin at [erinremote@yahoo.com](mailto:erinremote@yahoo.com).



There is a promise of marriage between:

III Wedding Banns

*Alexis Smith and Patrick Beal*



**Taizé Prayer Service**

Thursday, September 2  
7:00 PM

Worship Space

### 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-second 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)

### SPECIAL COLLECTION EARTHQUAKE AND TROPICAL STORM GRACE CALAMITIES IN HAITI

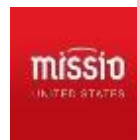
**September 4-5, 2021**

In a memo from Cleveland Bishop Edward C. Malesic, he writes:

"The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and dioceses across the country have been asked by the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to have a voluntary special collection on behalf of the people of Haiti devastated by the earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace. As a result of both disasters many Church properties, along with homes and businesses, have been severely damaged or destroyed."

Holy Martyrs will be holding this special collection next weekend, September 4 & 5, at all the masses. Parishioners are asked to make checks payable to **Holy Martyrs** with a memo marked **"Earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace Calamities in Haiti."**

Your generosity will be deeply appreciated.



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.

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

### Diocese of Cleveland Faith and Values Appeal for Catholic Education

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

Last weekend, a second collection was taken for 2021-22 Faith & Values Appeal to support tuition assistance in the Diocese of Cleveland. 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.

If you would still like 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](http://catholiccommunity.org/EdDonate).

*Thank you to all who generously donated.*

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## 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.

**AS WE PREPARE FOR HM KIDS BEGINNING ON  
MONDAY AND TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 13 AND 14 FROM 6:00 - 7:15 P.M**

We remain short 3 Catechists:

First grade Monday evening  
Fourth grade Tuesday evening  
Sixth grade Tuesday evening

We also need 8 Classroom Assistants

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***

### HMKIDS FALL START-UP

The **HMKIDS RALLY/PICNIC** is tomorrow night, 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.

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.

### Holy Martyrs LIFE TEEN

**Life Teen** will meet today, Sunday, August 29 at 5:00 PM for Mass with **LIFE NIGHT** following at 6:00 PM.



### **Spirit** at Holy Martyrs

**SPIRIT**, our 7th and 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth group program, will begin this Sunday, August 29, 2021 with 5:00 PM Mass and end at 7:30 PM.

Check out the **SPIRIT** section of the Holy Martyrs website for more information.



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

## Throughout the Diocese

### ***The First Friday Club of Greater Akron***

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet on Friday, **September 3, 2021** at **Our Lady of Cedars, 507 South Cleveland Massillon Road, Fairlawn, OH 44333.**



Guest Speaker:

**Francine Costantini**

Director of Youth Ministry for the  
Catholic Diocese of Cleveland  
***Building the Future of the Church***

The cost of the luncheon program is \$20.00. Doors open at 11:00 AM; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00 PM. Reservations can be made by sending a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, by calling the office, or on the website, no later than Friday, August 27, 2021.

For additional information, call 330-535-7668 or visit [www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org](http://www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org).

### **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



### **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)