

# WELCOME

## Christmas at Holy Martyrs



Holy Martyrs Catholic Church





*Steve Doherty*

*Jenny Messina*

**GOD BLESS YOU THIS CHRISTMAS!**

**WE PRAY GOD'S BLESSINGS UPON YOU AND THOSE YOU LOVE.**

*Skip M. Quate*

**AS WE REMEMBER THE BIRTH OF JESUS, MAY WE SHARE THE SONG OF THE ANGELS, THE JOY OF THE SHEPHERDS, AND THE WORSHIP OF THE MAGI.**

*Janet Pappas*

*Barbara Carrozzini*

**MAY KINDNESS COME WITH EVERY GIFT AND GOOD DESIRES WITH EVERY GREETING.**

*Aliaa Bruce*

*Brenda Clarkovich*

**LET US REJOICE IN THIS HOLY SEASON FOR THE BLESSINGS THAT CHRIST BRINGS.**

*Brandon J. Woods*

**A VERY BLESSED CHRISTMAS FROM THE STAFF OF HOLY MARTYRS**

*Kar Zuccone*







## *The Nativity of the Lord*

Holy Martyrs Catholic Church  
3100 OLD WEYMOUTH RD MEDINA, OH





# Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

December 25, 2022

The Nativity of the Lord

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00PM
Monday - Friday	12:00 Noon
Holy Days	7:00 PM (Vigil) 12:00 Noon, 7:00PM



## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM**  
**or by appointment**

## 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)

## Position Available

Experienced part time Bookkeeper position open at Holy Martyrs church.

If interested, please contact Skip McQuate at 330-722-6633 or [smcquate@holymartyrs.net](mailto:smcquate@holymartyrs.net)

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### December 24th Christmas Eve

4:00PM, 6:00PM & 10:00 PM\*

*\*This Mass will be Livestreamed*

### December 25th Christmas Day

9:30AM and 11:30AM

### December 31st

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Vigil Mass

4:30PM

### January 1st

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30AM, 11:30AM and 5:00PM

## Parish Staff

Father Stephen Dohner  
Pastor

Diane Bruce  
Director of Faith  
Formation

Brandon Woods  
Life Teen Coordinator

Father Robert F. Pfeiffer  
Pastor Emeritus

Janet Payton  
Pastoral Associate

Skip McQuate  
SPIRIT Coordinator

Christopher Ilg  
Director of Music

Father Mark Ott  
Weekend Priest



## *The Nativity of the Lord*

### *Pastor's Notes*

Christ is born. Let us rejoice!

To those who have been blessed, let us give thanks.

To those who are searching, may they find in Christ true joy.

To those who are lonely, in sorrow or pain, may they find in Christ real peace.

From the beginning of this parish, Holy Martyrs has always been a special place. Its Spirit of hospitality and welcome, its openness and care for the poor, its faith and vitality have made this an exceptional community and our spiritual home.

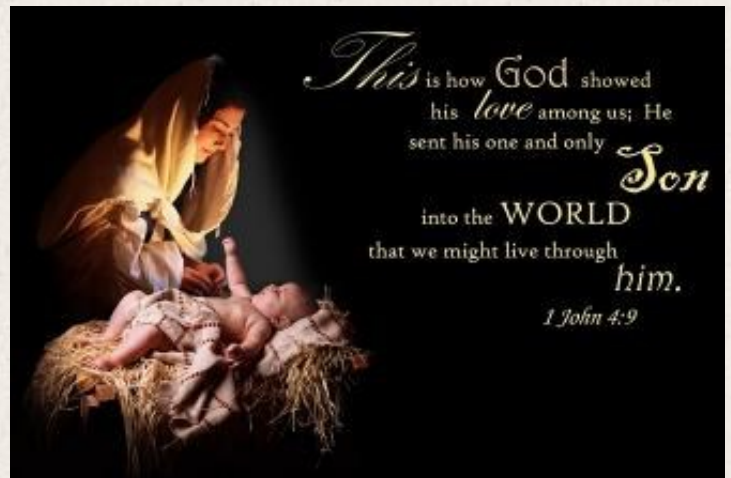
As we celebrate the feast of Christ's birth, my thoughts and prayers are for all of the people of Holy Martyrs, for your faith and generosity. I am grateful to God for all that you are and do.

To those who are joining us for our Christmas liturgies, please know how happy we are to have you with us. I hope you find this to be a warm and welcoming community. For those who are searching for a spiritual home, I know you will find one here.

"The Lord your God is in your midst.  
He will rejoice over you with gladness.  
He will renew you in his love.  
He will exult over you with joy  
As on the day of festival."

A very blessed and merry Christmas!

*Father Steve*





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### *Mass Intentions*

*Dec. 24, 2022 - January 1, 2023*

#### *CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES*

Sat      4:00 PM    Parishioners

             6:00 PM    Ole & Kathleen Olander

             10:00 PM    Ralph & Helen Mulhan

#### *CHRISTMAS DAY*

Sun      9:30 AM    Parishioners

             11:30 AM    Ben & Delores Naidznski

Mon      Noon      NO MASS TODAY

Tues      Noon      NO MASS TODAY

Wed      Noon      Patrick Bozzelli

Thurs      Noon      Kevin Beichler (for Healing)

Fri      Noon      Paul Kazmierczak

Sat      4:30 PM    Dorothy Krupa

Sun      9:30 AM    Maurice LeVoyer

             11:30 AM    Parishioners

             5:00 PM    Carol Matozzo

### *Daily Mass at Holy Martyrs*

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

### *This Week at Holy Martyrs*

Sun 12/25    Choir Practice                      8:30 AM    Pfeiffer Hall A  
                 CHRISTMAS DAY MASS    9:30 AM    Worship Space  
                 CHRISTMAS DAY MASS    11:30 AM    Worship Space

*The Church Office is CLOSED*  
*There will not be a noon Mass today.*

Mon 12/26

Tues 12/27    Glory Bees                              7:30 AM    Worship Space  
                 NO HM KIDS —  
                 Christmas Break

Wed 12/28    Daily Mass                              12:00    Worship Space

Thurs 12/29    Daily Mass                              12:00    Worship Space

Fri 12/30      Daily Mass                              12:00    Worship Space  
                 Red Cross Blood Drive    2:00 PM    Martyrs Hall

Sat 12/31      Vigil Mass                              4:30 PM    Worship Space

Sun 01/01      Masses for The                        9:30 AM    Worship Space  
                 Solemnity of Mary    11:30 AM    Worship Space  
                 Holy Mother of God    5:00 PM    Worship Space

*The Church Office is CLOSED on*  
*Monday, January 2, 2023*  
*There will not be a noon Mass on that day.*





# The Nativity of the Lord

## Parish News

### ADULT CONFIRMATION

HOLY MARTYRS CHURCH  
MEDINA, OHIO

Are you an adult who missed the opportunity to receive the sacrament of confirmation when you were a teen? If so, you're not alone.

Once a year, Holy Martyrs offers a series of sessions that prepares adults to receive this very important and powerful sacrament of initiation. The weekly sessions will begin on **Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm** and we'd love to have you participate. This will be an opportunity to gather with others to talk about things you may never have had an opportunity to discuss as an adult -- and we think you'll enjoy it.

To register, go to

<https://holymartyrs.net/event-calendar/>

and put "Adult Confirmation" as the key word in the search bar.



### Holy Martyrs Homebound Ministry

The early Christian community began the practice of bringing Communion to those who were not able to gather with the community.

Today this practice is still an important ministry in the Church. We embrace and pray for those who are unable to be present with us. Eucharistic Ministers take the Eucharist to our homebound following the Sunday 9:30 AM Mass.

*If you know of someone who is homebound and wants to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 330-722-6633.*



### Baptism

Logan Kenneth Dyer

Son of

William and Keilah Dyer



### Let Us Be Church Parishioner Needs

The church office receives calls from parishioners asking for help with transportation to Church, household chores and with yard maintenance.

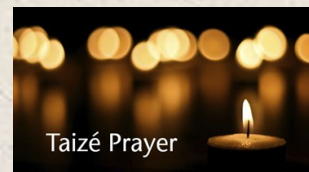
It is almost that time of year when some parishioners need assistance in keeping their driveways or sidewalks plowed or shoveled.



Do you have a snow plow and are interested in helping parishioners? Fee or no Fee.



*If you feel you are able to help with any of the above listed requests, and would like more information, please contact the Church Office at 330-722-6633.*



### Taizé Prayer Service

Spend an hour in a contemplative environment of soft, repetitive song and scripture which fosters interior peace and serenity. Taizé prayer is held at Holy Martyrs on the first Thursday of each month (or the first Friday during Lent).

**Taizé Prayer Services will be held at 7:00 PM in the Worship Space on the following dates:**

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Friday, March 3, 2023

Thursday, May 4, 2023

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HMKids HQ - 330-952-1466 - SPIRIT - LIFE TEEN

### Calling all Parents!

Have you considered being a leader or helper for the Children's Liturgy of the Word, also known as **Time Travelers**, on Sundays at 9:30am Mass? The leader and helper explain the Mass readings in a way that is fun and interactive for the children. A template with curriculum resources is provided, and the class takes minimal prep time. Children are very understanding and we know God has called us to spread the message to this wonderful group of young people. **ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

The mission of Holy Martyrs is to **Encounter Christ, Grow in Faith, and Make Disciples.** We want this every week for each child that comes to be a part of our program.

Please contact: Brian Baddorf at [bbaddorf@gmail.com](mailto:bbaddorf@gmail.com).

**Time Travelers will get together at the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass instead of the 9:30 AM Mass on Christmas Day.**



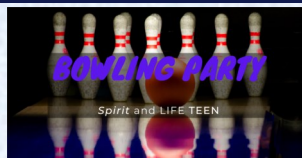
**Spirit**  
at Holy Martyrs

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all Spirit students and their families! Spirit is our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth program and we will be off December 25 and January 1. We will return on Sunday, January 8, 2023 starting with 5:00PM Mass.

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



**LIFE TEEN**



**Spirit**  
at Holy Martyrs

### COME JOIN LIFE TEEN AND SPIRIT FOR BOWLING

On Wednesday, December 28th, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
join Spirit and Life Teen at AMF Lanes in Medina.

Spirit and Life Teen are hosting their annual bowling party! All Spirit and Life Teen teens **AND FAMILIES** are invited and encouraged to join! The cost is \$18/person. **You don't want to miss the pin on this exciting event!**

Contact Skip McQuate at [smcquate@holymartyrs.net](mailto:smcquate@holymartyrs.net) or Brandon Woods at [bwoods@holymartyrs.net](mailto:bwoods@holymartyrs.net) for details.

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## Opportunities for Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

### Grateful Giving

Looking for a good stewardship habit? Try eGiving - it streamlines your generosity and lets you do even more to help Holy Martyrs grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. You can make the switch today! Signing up is easy from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and you can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts sustain our parish throughout the year, and provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for church families and for those in need in our community.



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. You may also call Faith Direct customer service at 1-866-507-8757.

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!



@holy\_martyrs\_molina



[www.facebook.com/holymartyrschurch](http://www.facebook.com/holymartyrschurch)

### Please Remember:

#### Two Envelopes at Christmas

Each Christmas, the people of Holy Martyrs share their generosity in many ways. In addition to the regular Sunday envelopes that fund our parish programs through the year, we rely on the extraordinary support of our people at Christmas time to help support our many activities, ministries and special needs. Both are a vital part of what we do.

This year, Christmas falls on a Sunday. Please remember both our normal and extraordinary needs in planning your giving.

God bless you!



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## A CHRISTMAS FAMILY PRAYER

BLESS US THIS CHRISTMAS  
O LORD OUR GOD.  
MAKE OUR HOME A NEW BETHLEHEM  
WHERE OUR SAVIOR MAY DWELL.

GRANT US JOY IN OUR HEARTS,  
HOPE IN OUR GOD,  
LOVE THAT FORGIVES,  
AND PEACE UPON THE EARTH.

BESTOW YOUR BLESSINGS  
ON OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
AND ON ALL WHO SEEK YOU THIS DAY.

MAY THERE BE BREAD FOR THE HUNGRY,  
HELP FOR THE FORGOTTEN,  
HEALING FOR THE SICK,  
AND PROTECTION FOR THE YOUNG.

WITH THANKS IN OUR HEARTS  
FOR THE DAWN OF HOPE  
AND NEW LIFE IN JESUS,  
FILL OUR HEARTS WITH YOUR PRESENCE  
ON THE BIRTHDAY OF DIVINE LOVE.

AMEN.

HOLY MARTYRS CHURCH





