



*"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."*

*~John 20:29*

Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 16, 2023

**Holy Martyrs Catholic Church**

3100 Old Weymouth Road, Medina, OH 44256





# Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

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## 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)**

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



Holy Martyrs  
**Cafe**

**Holy Martyrs Café**  
**is OPEN every weekend**  
**after Mass**

Following each Mass, all are invited to stop by the Café to enjoy coffee, tea, pastry and fellowship.

If you are interested in helping in the Café after any of the Masses, please call the Church Office at 330-722-6633.

## 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*



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### *Mass Intentions*

*April 15 - April 23*

### *This Week at Holy Martyrs*

Saturday	4:30 PM	Parishioners
Sunday	9:30 AM	Roy & Delores Crane
	11:30 AM	Helen June Dignan
	5:00 PM	Al Gula
Monday	Noon	Jerry Dolph (For Healing)
Tuesday	Noon	Benny Iannaggi
Wednesday	Noon	Jed Thomas
Thursday	Noon	Patricia Miner
Friday	Noon	Wayne Perkins
Saturday	4:30 PM	Paul Kazmierczak
Sunday	9:30 AM	Parishioners
	11:30 AM	John Francis
	5:00 PM	Ann Givens

Sun 4/16

### *Sunday of Divine Mercy*

	Choir Rehearsal	8:30 AM	Pfeiffer Hall A
	Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
	Time Travelers	9:30 AM	Rooms 203-204
	Journey Catechumenate	10:00 AM	PLC Lounge
	Journey Period of Inquiry	10:00 AM	Clarke Room
	Mass	11:30 AM	Worship Space
	Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Worship Space
	SPIRIT	6:00 PM	Parish Life Center
	Life Teen	6:00 PM	Martyrs Hall
Mon 4/17	CONNECT Parents	9:30 AM	PLC Lounge
	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	CONNECT Mixed Adults	6:00 PM	PLC Lounge
	HMKids Monday	6:00 PM	Parish Life Center
Tues 4/18	Glory Bees	7:30 AM	Worship Space
	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	CONNECT Women	1:00 PM	Clarke Room
	HMKids Tuesday	6:00 PM	Parish Life Center
Wed 4/19	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	CONNECT Snowbirds	3:30 PM	via ZOOM
	CONNECT Mixed Adults	6:30 PM	PLC Lounge
	CONNECT Women	6:30 PM	Clarke Room
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Pfeiffer Hall
	XLT West and Adoration	7:00 PM	Worship Space
Thurs 4/20	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
	Eucharistic Adoration	12:30	Worship Space
	Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision	6:30 PM	Ford Room
	CONNECT Couples 50+	7:00 PM	PLC Lounge
	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 PM	via ZOOM
Fri 4/21	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Sat 4/22	CONNECT Men	9:00 AM	PLC Lounge
	First Communion		
	Pictures	9:30 AM	Worship Space
	Reconciliation	3:00 PM	Chapel
	Vigil Mass	4:30 PM	Worship Space

### *Daily Mass at Holy Martyrs*



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

Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday following the noon Mass.



Sun 4/23

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Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
Time Travelers	9:30 AM	Rooms 203-204
Journey Catechumenate	10:00 AM	PLC Lounge
Journey Period of Inquiry	10:00 AM	Clarke Room
Mass	11:30 AM	Worship Space
Baptism Prep Session	1:30 PM	Worship Space
Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Worship Space
SPIRIT	6:00 PM	Parish Life Center
Life Teen	6:00 PM	Martyrs Hall

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## Parish News



### **XLT WEST** **April 19, 2023 ~ 7:00 PM**

The mission of XLT WEST is to collaborate and build a Catholic community rooted in prayer.

XLT West is a program that moves among some west side and medina county parishes in our diocese.

Each month, we have a speaker, Eucharistic Adoration with worship music lead by our house band, followed by a social with pizza and beverages.

Our next XLT West will be Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7pm at Holy Martyrs in Medina!

All are invited to come!



### ***Christ caring for people through people***

*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 & 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. For more information, call Janet Payton at 330-722-6633.



**FOUNDATIONS**

*Faith Every Day for Everyday Families*

### ***Baptism Preparation***



Those parents seeking to have a child Baptized will need to complete a Baptism Preparation Session if this is your first child or if it has been 2 years or more since you last attended a session.

Holy Martyrs will be holding a Baptism Preparation Session on **Sunday, April 23 at 1:30PM** in the Worship Space. Please plan to arrive at church between 1:15 PM and 1:30 PM.

To register, please scan QR Code



**or go to:**

***[https://holymartyrs.ministryplatform.com/portal/event\\_detail.aspx?id=6803](https://holymartyrs.ministryplatform.com/portal/event_detail.aspx?id=6803)***

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



### Join the HMKids in Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet

HMKids is inviting all parishioners to join us to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Monday, April 17th and Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m. in Martyrs Hall.

Due to work being done in the worship space, we will be using Martyrs Hall, so, please park in the back lot for easy access to Martyrs Hall.

During Lent the children prepared for Easter by thinking of others and putting their change in their Rice Bowls.

During our prayer service the children will be offering their Rice bowls. Some families had children who chose to use their snack money to provide paper products, canned goods, and soap items to HMCares.

### Sharing the Gospel

The disciples must have been very surprised when they saw Jesus alive again. They got to see him, listen to him, and touch him. We don't get to see him like the disciples did after Easter. But Jesus calls us blessed when we believe in him. One day we'll see him again in heaven.

### Mission of the Week

*Tell a friend why Jesus is special to you.*

### Prayer

*Lord, help me forgive those who hurt me.*

### Spirit at Holy Martyrs

**Spirit** will meet Sunday, April 16, 2023 and we will be putting together brown bag lunches.

We will start back up with our Confirmation "Purpose" series.

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



## Come to LIFE TEEN



Every Sunday  
5pm Mass - 8pm

**Life Teen will meet today,  
Sunday, April 16, beginning with the  
5:00PM Contemporary Mass.**

**Please join us!**

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### Opportunities for Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

#### Grateful Giving

**Christ is Risen!** As His disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of Christ's Resurrection. The fruitful ministries at our parish are examples of how many of you have answered, and continue to answer, that call. To ensure such work can continue requires not only gifts of time, but also of financial help. I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through Faith Direct.

You'll provide us with 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.

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.

#### 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.

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

**If you have any questions or need  
additional information, please call the  
church office at 330-722-6633.**

#### 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 that time of year when some parishioners need assistance especially with yard maintenance.

Are you retired or a teen looking to do something of service for our parishioners in need. Fee or no Fee.

**If you feel you are able to help and would like more  
information, please contact the Church Office at  
330-722-6633**



#### Angel Scholarship Fund

The Catholic Community Foundation has established The Angel Scholarship Fund as a brand new opportunity to support our Catholic Schools and students in the Diocese of Cleveland. Through the Angel Scholarship Fund, you can now contribute funds that will be used to provide tuition assistance for students to attend our Catholic schools, and you will receive a 100% Ohio income tax credit of up to \$750 against your state tax liability.

##### Your Support of ASF:

- Directly impacts a family's ability to afford a Catholic education
- Helps provide high quality Catholic education to students with financial need
- Can be directed to any Catholic school in the Diocese of Cleveland
- Allows you to choose what your tax dollars support



#### Holy Martyrs Ministry Opportunities

All parishioners are invited to join any of the many ministries here at Holy Martyrs as a way to serve God through serving others.



If you are interested in signing up or simply would like more information, please visit our website at::

<https://holymartyrs.net/serve/>



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## Throughout the Diocese



**Saint Ambrose Littlest Angels  
Preschool is NOW ENROLLING  
for the 2023-2024 school year!**

Saint Ambrose Littlest Angels Preschool is a 5-STAR Step Up To Quality rated program by the state of Ohio. We are currently enrolling for the 2023-2024 school year and we still have room for students ages 3-4 to join us in our Part-Time classes, as well as before and aftercare, if applicable.

Please visit [www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us/preschool](http://www.SaintAmbroseSchool.us/preschool) for more information and our online registration. Or call us at 330-460-7318. We look forward to hearing from you and providing a caring and safe faith-filled learning experience for your children!



### ***Carmona Caravan***

***An Organization of Catholic Men and  
Women Dedicated to Assisting Persons  
with Intellectual Disabilities***

Holy Martyrs Parishioner Christopher Jochum is a member of the Catholic organization Carmona Caravan, a group of Catholic men and women dedicated to assisting persons with intellectual disabilities. Carmona Caravan is the Cleveland based chapter of the Order of the Alhambra.

They meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, and all are welcome! If you are interested in helping our special children, coming to a meeting, or learning more, please visit

***[www.carmonacaravan.org](http://www.carmonacaravan.org)***



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

***Our Lady of Cedars  
507 South Cleveland Massillon Rd.  
Fairlawn, OH 44333  
May 5, 2023 at Noon***

***Guest Speaker: Holly Klein, Cofounder of Grace House***

The mission of Grace House Akron is to provide a loving home for indigent, homeless and abandoned individuals at the end of life. The home provides safe shelter, access to basic needs of food, water and shelter from specially trained staff and volunteers, care with dignity and compassion, and a nurturing environment for individuals with terminal illnesses.

Grace House serves terminally ill individuals who are:

- enrolled in a hospice program
- without an able caregiver, alone or unable to afford a private caregiver
- with limited financial resources

All Grace House services are free-of-charge, allowing individuals to pass peacefully without financial barriers to care.

The cost of the luncheon program is \$25.00.

Reservations can be made by **sending a check to:**

The First Friday Club of Greater Akron  
PO Box 13291, Fairlawn, OH 44334

by **calling the office at 330-535-7668**

or by registering at: **[www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org](http://www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org)**