



*The revelation of your words sheds light,
giving understanding to the simple.*

~Psalm 119:129-130

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 30, 2023

Holy Martyrs Catholic Church
3100 Old Weymouth Road, Medina, OH 44256



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Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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Baptisms

Nolan Richard Mahon

Son of

Richard and Amanda Mahon



Olivia Jayne Krakowiak

Daughter of

James and Alexandra Krakowiak

Parish Staff

Father Stephen Dohner
Pastor

Shannon Federinko
HM Kids

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

July 29 - August 6

This Week at Holy Martyrs

Saturday	4:30 PM	Parishioners	Sun 7/30	Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
				Time Travelers	9:30 AM	Rooms 203-204
Sunday	9:30 AM	Jerome Johnson		Journey - Catechumenate	10:30 AM	PLC Room 102
				Mass	11:30 AM	Pavilion
	11:30 AM	John Boehnlein		Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Worship Space
	5:00 PM	Robert & Elaine Frygier	Mon 7/31	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Monday	Noon	Larry Vasel		CONNECT Groups		
				Leadership Team	6:00 PM	PLC Room 103
Tuesday	Noon	Alina Boris (for healing)		Catholic Charities		
				Advisory Meeting	7:00 PM	Martyrs Hall
Wednesday	Noon	Marge Brajkovich	Tues 8/01	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Thursday	Noon	Delores Behun	Wed 8/02	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Friday	Noon	Bruce Bernard		Women's Retreat		
Saturday	4:30 PM	Kevin O'Hara (for healing)		Planning Meeting	6:30 PM	PLC Room 103
				The Chosen	7:30 PM	Pfeiffer Hall
Sunday	9:30 AM	Parishioners	Thurs 8/03	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
				Eucharistic Adoration	12:30 PM	Worship Space
	11:30 AM	Charles Kinley and Margaret Kinley-Glant		The Chosen	1:00 PM	Pfeiffer Hall
	5:00 PM	Ken & Patricia Shepard		Taizé	7:00 PM	Worship Space
			Fri 8/04	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
			Sat 8/05	HMKids Catechist Retreat	10:00 AM	Martyrs Hall
				Reconciliation	3:00 PM	Chapel
				Mass	4:30 PM	Worship Space
			Sun 8/06	Mass	9:30 AM	Worship Space
				Time Travelers	9:30 AM	Rooms 203-204
				Journey - Catechumenate	10:30 AM	PLC Room 102
				Mass	11:30 AM	Pavilion
				Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM	Worship Space
				Life Teen	6:00 PM	Martyrs Hall

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Because you have asked for this - not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right - I do as you requested." (1 Kgs 3:11-12)

Psalm:

Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)

Second Reading:

For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. (Rom 8:29)

Gospel:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Following Christ will take everything we have. Are we ready to give it all? At the end of our lives, let us hope we can say truthfully that we sold all we had in order to purchase the field which contained the great treasure.

Parish News

A MESSAGE TO ALL CATHOLIC VOTERS IN OHIO



AUGUST 8TH SPECIAL ELECTION

A special election will take place in Ohio on August 8th to vote on **ISSUE 1**, which asks voters if Ohio should require that any proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution receive the approval of at least 60% of eligible voters in the proposed amendment. A lower threshold will make it easier to change our State Constitution with amendments like the pro-abortion amendment proposed on the November ballot.

The Ohio Catholic Conference encourages citizens to **VOTE YES on ISSUE 1** to keep Ohio's Constitution safe and help life-affirming medicine thrive.

NOVEMBER ELECTION PROPOSED ABORTION AMENDMENT TO OHIO CONSTITUTION

The August Special Election will have an immediate and lasting impact on a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution on November's 2023 ballot. If passed, this amendment will eliminate already established protections for preborn children and women in Ohio. The vague language in the proposed amendment will enshrine and expand abortion in our State at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. It places women and the preborn at risk of losing safeguards on their health and wellbeing that the citizens of Ohio have established in law over many years.

The Catholic Bishops of Ohio urge every citizen of our State to stop this attempt to rewrite Ohio's Constitution and to vote AGAINST the proposed amendment in November. You vote against this amendment will prevent countless deaths of preborn, innocent children.

The bishops urge Catholics in Ohio to register and vote in these important elections.



A Stephen Ministry Story I'm So Grateful for Stephen Ministry

Story as told by a man who received care from a Stephen Minister and willingly volunteered to share his story.

"Fourteen months ago, I was at a point where I needed someone to talk to about the struggles in my life. My pastor recommended I consider meeting with a Stephen Minister - another man, trained as a caregiver, who would walk with me during this difficult time. Trusting someone with personal information about my life was something I feared at first, but my pastor reassured me that everything was confidential, so I agreed to give it a try. I'm so glad I did!"

"Soon after meeting my Stephen Minister, I quickly sensed I could trust him. Part of that trust came from knowing he was trained to help people through their problems. He made me feel comfortable by not prying for information, but instead just letting me share what was on my mind. Any questions he did ask fit our conversation appropriately. Probably the best thing he did for me was not judging me for my past decisions; rather, he was there to help me move forward. I think another significant trust-building factor was being able to talk with someone who was not in my regular circle of friends. My friends certainly continued to have a very important place in my life, but I also needed someone who could see me objectively. That helped make it easier to share personal parts of my life. Also, knowing my Stephen Minister would be there for me "next week" (we usually met for an hour each week) gave me confidence. I see now how much I needed regular encouragement as I rode the roller coaster of emotions that came during this period of instability in my life."

"I really appreciated our times together. Our weekly visits were more than just meeting to talk. They also helped keep me accountable between times, to carry through with the changes I said I wanted to make. My Stephen Minister often went out of his way to help me in my struggle. My life experience during the 10 months I met with my Stephen Minister was not always one of progress. It took courage for me to honestly share when I had my failures and setbacks too. Even then my Stephen Minister was there for me. He encouraged me not to give up, but to pick up and keep going forward."

"My Stephen Minister walked with me through a really dark part of my life, pointing me to the truth and love that is in Christ."

**If you need a friend or know someone who does,
ask if a Stephen Minister can help.
Call Janet Payton or Skip McQuate at 330-722-6633.**

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HM Kids, SPIRIT, and Life Teen

HMKids will be starting up soon!



HM Kids is our Faith Formation Ministry for Grades K-6. Our focus is building a strong foundation in our faith and a meaningful relationship with Jesus. We also focus on forming faith for life with our grade level peers while having fun!

Online registration is now available.

Sessions are held Monday and Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:15 pm. Sessions will begin Monday, Sept. 18, 2023.

Please register your child(ren) by August 31, 2023.

We are in need of members to join our HM Kids Faith Formation Team. We are in specific need of Catechists, Catechist Assistants, and HM Kids Security. Catechist Team Members will be well supported in this role, with session plans and teaching strategies to engage students. If you have wanted an opportunity to share your faith with our HMKids children or to faith form with your own children, this is a wonderful way to serve. Our Catechist Retreat is August 5, 2023 from 10:00 am -12:30 pm

Please reach out to Shannon Federinko directly if you or someone you know are interested in being on our HMKids Team. For a small amount of time served, the rewards of helping our children faith form with positive adults are great. We appreciate your willingness to Encounter Christ, Grow in Faith, and Make Disciples through this very special Ministry opportunity.

If you have questions, please email Shannon Federinko at sfederinko@holymartyrs.net.

To register for Monday classes
scan the QR Code:



To register for Tuesday classes
scan the QR Code:



Spirit at Holy Martyrs

Thank you to all who participated in Encounter. We had so much fun and our parishioners' who we assisted were so grateful.



Come to LIFE TEEN



Every Sunday
5pm Mass - 8pm

*Life Teen will meet today,
Sunday, July 30th
beginning with
the 5:00PM
Contemporary Mass.*

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Opportunities for Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

Holy Martyrs E-Giving VANCO

Our New e-giving Platform, Vanco!

We want to start by expressing gratitude for your unwavering support and generosity towards our church. Your contributions have been essential to our ability to continue carrying out our mission and serving the needs of our community.

We also want to take this opportunity to introduce our new e-giving platform, **Vanco**. This platform provides a secure and user-friendly way to give to our church online, and we are confident that it will make giving more convenient for many members of our congregation.

We are no longer using Faith Direct and you will need to sign up through **Vanco** to continue e-giving.

Whether you choose to give online or in person, your support is vital to the continued success of our church community. We are so grateful for your generosity and commitment to our shared mission.

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

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.



Taizé Prayer Service

**Thursday, August 3, 2023
7:00 PM in the Worship Space**

Taizé offers an opportunity for quiet repose in the midst of busy lives. The prayer tradition of Taizé, based on the monastic hours of prayer each day, can help us let go of our own preoccupations and get in touch with the spiritual realities that, ultimately, are what bring true meaning to our lives.

An important part of the Taizé experience is the singing of simple meditative songs that were developed for the prayer service. The prayer is flexible and has no real beginning or end. Songs are repeated over and over again to help us enter into the contemplation of the presence of God. The simple phrases are easily memorized so books are rarely needed.

Taizé prayer services will continue through the Summer months on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM.

The Chosen

We will be offering two opportunities to come together to watch and discuss each episode of the first season of The Chosen. We invite all to join us for this powerful presentation of the life of Jesus and we've made it easy for all to participate. Please choose the session that fits your schedule: **Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm beginning on July 26 and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 to 2:30 pm beginning on July 27.**

Cost for the 8 week series is \$20 per person for the workbook. Please scan the QR Code to register for the session you would like to attend.

**Wednesday Night Session:
7:30 - 9:00 PM**



**Thursday Afternoon Session:
1:00 - 2:30 PM**



ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The State of Ohio will give a credit on your income tax return matching your contribution to the Angel Scholarship Fund dollar for dollar for each tax filer up to \$750.00 per person. A donation to the Angel Scholarship Fund helps to create a better education for children and young adults in Ohio.

Please visit: www.catholiccommunity.org/angel to make an online contribution or to download a mail-in form.

For more information:

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Elsewhere in the Diocese

Help Make The FEST Possible!

We need YOU! It takes about 1,400 volunteers to make The FEST possible. There's something everyone can do...from setting up the grounds on the days before, to singing in The FEST Choir, to working one of the food or activity booths.

Help us create an amazing day for our Diocese. Not only are you doing something amazing for others...volunteers get a FREE FEST 2023 T-Shirt, FEST lanyard, and bottle of water!

Learn more & sign up to help at The FEST!
theFEST.us/volunteer.



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LIVE MUSIC FROM
Chris Tomlin
Jeremy Camp
Big Daddy Weave
Katy Nichole



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE STUDENTS AND ADULTS

The CYO Office in Cleveland is seeking people interested in officiating Soccer, Volleyball, Flag Football and Rookie Tackle. Training and equipment will be provided at no cost.

If you are interested, please contact:

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Flag Football & Rookie Tackle

Dan Frey: dgfrey2003@yahoo.com
Soccer

Dale Gaydos: gaydosdale@gmail.com
Volleyball

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HelpOurMarriage.org
RETRouvaille
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Have you as a couple grown apart?

Do you often fight without ever resolving the conflict?

The Cleveland Retrouvaille Community is presenting a weekend retreat from September 22 to 24 for couples seeking healing in their marriage. For more information or to register, visit

www.helpourmarriage.org

