



*“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me.”*

*~Mt 16:24b*

**September 3, 2023**  
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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



# Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

September 3, 2023

Twenty-second 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**

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

**email: [churchoffice@holymartyrs.net](mailto:churchoffice@holymartyrs.net)**

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!



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# HAPPY LABOR DAY!

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.

*There is a promise of marriage between:*

III Wedding Banns

Zachary Strohl and Shelby Hoge



I Wedding Banns

Stuart Popogain and Emily Kopec

### 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*

# Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

<i>Mass Intentions</i> August 26 - September 3			<i>This Week at Holy Martyrs</i>			
Saturday	4:30 PM	Dorothy and Ed Muniak	Sun 9/03	Mass Time Travelers Journey - Catechumenate Journey - Inquiry Mass Contemporary Mass NO LIFE TEEN TONIGHT	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM	Worship Space Rooms 203-204 PLC Room 102 Clarke Room Pavilion Worship Space Martyrs Hall
Sunday	9:30 AM	Mary Jo & Robert Brownfield				
	11:30 AM	Parishioners				
	5:00 PM	Sharon Frajter	<b>Mon 9/04</b>	<b>LABOR DAY - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>		
Monday	Noon	LABOR DAY NO MASS	Tues 9/05	Glory Bees NO DAILY MASS	7:30 AM 12:00	Worship Space Worship Space
Tuesday	Noon	NO MASS	Wed 9/06	NO DAILY MASS The Chosen	12:00 7:30 PM	Worship Space Pfeiffer Hall
Wednesday	Noon	NO MASS	Thurs 9/07	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration The Chosen Catholic Charities Advisory Council Stephen Minister Peer Supervision Taizé Prayer Service	12:00 12:30 PM 1:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Space Worship Space Pfeiffer Hall Martyrs Hall PLC Room 102 Worship Space
Thursday	Noon	Joseph & Christina Hoffmann	Fri 9/08	Daily Mass	12:00	Worship Space
Friday	Noon	Steve Belovich	Sat 9/09	NO RECONCILIATION Mass	4:30 PM	Worship Space
Saturday	4:30 PM	Parishioners	Sun 9/10	Mass Time Travelers Journey - Catechumenate Journey - Inquiry Mass Life Teen	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 6:00 PM	Worship Space Rooms 203-204 PLC Room 102 Clarke Room Worship Space Martyrs Hall
Sunday	9:30 AM	Jackie Vanuch				
	11:30 AM	Gene Hutloff				
<b>There will not be a 5:00PM Contemporary Mass Tonight</b>						

## Sunday's Readings

### **First Reading:**

Whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
violence and outrage is my message;  
the word of the LORD has brought me  
derision and reproach all the day. (Jer 20:8)

### **Psalm:**

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)

### **Second Reading:**

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,  
to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,  
holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.  
(Rom 12:1)

### **Gospel:**

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.  
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,  
But whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."  
(Mt 16:24:25)

## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

A love of suffering does not come naturally to us as humans. We have no instinct to throw our arms around a rough and heavy cross - no, we shy away from it. But as adopted children of God, crafter lovingly in His image, our inheritance is the grace to do what feels so

Parish News

Defeat Issue 1  
The Extreme Abortion Amendment

An extreme amendment is on the Ohio ballot in November that threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months.



Join Catholics across Ohio in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena beginning Friday, Sept. 15, for the defeat of this dangerous amendment.



Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers here → or at pray54ohio.org.



CONNECT Small Groups are opportunities where our large church can become small and personal. You are not signing up for one more thing...you are signing up for peace, love, and a renewed faith community.

CONNECT Small Groups will be starting up again soon. More information to follow.

CONNECT Small Groups happen when we have awesome co-facilitators! Pray about being one of those people.

For more information about facilitating, please contact Janet Payton at 330-722-6633.

Last Sunday for Mass in the Pavilion

Sunday, September 3rd will be the last Sunday that Mass will be held in the Pavilion.

Beginning next Sunday, September 10, the 11:30 AM Mass will be in the Worship Space.

Holy Martyrs Ministry Opportunities

Summer is almost over and Holy Martyrs' programs will soon be back in full swing. 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/>

or scan the QR Code:



# Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

## HM Kids, SPIRIT, and Life Teen

### HM Kids Update

HM Kids will begin Monday, September 18 and Tuesday, September 19. Both of these evenings will be family events from 6:00-7:15 pm. Regular HM Kids sessions in the classrooms will begin the following week. Please register as soon as possible by going to Events HM Kids at [holymartyrs.net](http://holymartyrs.net), or by scanning the QR Code below.

HM Kids  
Monday:



HM Kids  
Tuesday:



### Being a part of our HM Kids Team

We are rounding out our Catechist Team, but still need a few more adults to help with assisting in the classroom. This involves being part of the class community and helping the lead Catechist. We are also in need of a Catechist on Monday evenings.

Please email Shannon Federinko directly at [sfederinko@holymartyrs.net](mailto:sfederinko@holymartyrs.net) if you would consider faith forming with your child's class or being a part of the HM Kids Team as a Catechist or an assistant.

### It's time to register for Life Teen 2023-2024

Come to  
**LIFE TEEN**



Every Sunday  
5pm Mass - 8pm

Scan the  
QR Code below  
to register:



Online Registration for  
SPIRIT 2023—2024 is now available

To register, scan the QR Code:



# Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

## *Opportunities for Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure*

### **Grateful Giving - August, 2023**

#### **Average Weekly Collection**

**\$12,839.04**

**Need: \$17,000**

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

### **Holy Martyrs E-Giving**

## **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.

### **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.

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



Holy Martyrs is a Christian community working to encounter Christ, grow in faith, and make disciples. HM Cares Ministries lives this mission by providing food pantry and financial assistance with rent and utilities to families needing help in Medina County.

Here is what a couple of families we have served told us about our ministry...

"Just wanted to take a moment and thank HM Cares again for blessing me and my family. You guys have truly been one of the biggest helps to this household. God Bless you all and we wholeheartedly appreciate all the Church has given us."

"Thank you so much and all you do for people in need that have never had to ask for help. I cannot thank you enough. Thank you! Thank you!"

Unfortunately, the need in the area continues to grow. We ask that you prayerfully consider providing a one time, or ongoing donation to HM Cares through our e-giving platform VANCO, or through the monthly offertory envelopes marked for HM Cares.

Scanning the QR Code below will take you to the secure e-giving platform VANCO page marked for HM Cares Ministries.

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Here are future opportunities to offer your time & treasure to serve others in the coming months...

- September 9-10 and September 18-19 Food Drive through Century 21
- October Friendship Meal at St. Bernard's
- November Turkey Run 2023
- December Give-A-Gift

*Elsewhere in the Diocese*

***Eucharistic Revival Ballpark Mass***

Brookside Park  
200 Brookside Drive  
Ashland, OH 44805



***Sunday,  
September 10, 2023  
5:00-7:00 PM***

Join us in Ashland for our final Ballpark Mass of the year. We will begin at 3 pm with the Young Adult Softball League All-Star Game.

At 5 pm, Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Roger Gries, OSB, with Fr. Steve Moran as homilist. A picnic-style meal will follow.

To attend, please register at:

***<https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/events/2023/09/10/eucharistic-revival-ballpark-mass--ashland>***



***or scan the QR Code:***

The 5:00 PM Contemporary Mass at Holy Martyrs will not be held.

***Support the  
Catholic Communication Campaign***

***September 23 -24, 2023***



Support the Catholic Communication Campaign at Mass, and help our local communications projects! Half of the funds raised remain here in the diocese. The other half supports projects in the United States and in developing countries.

***#1church1mission #EngageToBuildCommunity***

***Learn more: [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc)***