



Taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Psalm 34

August 11, 2024
The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY MARTYRS
CATHOLIC CHURCH 

3100 Old Weymouth Rd. Medina, Ohio 44256
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Holy Martyrs

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

Sacrament of Penance

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 12:45 pm
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Friday - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

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*Masses will be held for the
Feast of the Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

on

*Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00 PM and
Thursday, August 15 at Noon*

**There will be no evening Mass on
Thursday August 15.**

Parish Staff

Janet Payton
Pastoral Associate

Father Stephen J. Dohner
Pastor

Christopher Ilg
Director of Music

Father Robert F. Pfeiffer
Pastor Emeritus

Shannon Federinko
HM Kids Coordinator

Skip McQuate
SPIRIT Coordinator

Alyssa Nadin
Communications

Father Mark Ott
Weekend Priest

Brandon Woods
Life Teen Coordinator

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<i>Mass Intentions</i> <i>August 10 - August 18</i>			<i>This Week at Holy Martyrs</i>		
Sat	4:30 PM	Patricia Martino	Sun 8/11	Mass	9:30 AM Worship Space
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners		Time Travelers	9:30 AM Rooms 203-204
	11:30 AM	Jerome Grone		Journey Catechumenate	10:00 AM Lounge Room 105
	5:00 PM	Samuel Demeo		Outside Mass	11:30 AM Pavilion
Mon	Noon	Kevin Dorsey		CONNECT Small Group	
Tues	Noon	Sue Saki		Host Celebration	1:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall
Wed	Noon	Val and Dolly Thomas		Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM Worship Space
	7:00 PM	Parishioners		Life Teen	5:00 PM Martyrs Hall
Thurs	Noon	Carol Matozzo	Mon 8/12	Daily Mass	12:00 Chapel
Fri	Noon	Thomas Eichner	Tues 8/13	Glory Bees	7:30 AM Worship Space
Sat	4:30 PM	Mary Ann Spinhirn		Daily Mass	12:00 Chapel
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners		Stephen Leader Meeting	5:00 PM Sunday Office
	11:30 AM	Frances and Helen McEldowney		Catholic Charities	
	5:00 PM	Christopher Danes		Advisory Council Mtg.	6:00 PM Martyrs Hall
			Wed 8/14	Daily Mass	12:00 Worship Space
				Feast of the Assumption	7:00 PM Worship Space
			Thurs 8/15	Feast of the Assumption	12:00 Worship Space
				Confirmation Prep for	
				Older Teens	6:00 PM Kazel Room
				Parish Council Meeting	7:00 PM Via Zoom
			Fri 8/16	Daily Mass	12:00 Worship Space
				Life Teen Summer Lock In	8:00 PM Martyrs Hall
			Sat 8/17	Life Teen Summer Lock In	Martyrs Hall
				Reconciliation	3:00 PM Chapel
				Vigil Mass	4:30 PM Worship Space
			Sun 8/18	Mass	9:30 AM Worship Space
				Time Travelers	9:30 AM Rooms 203-204
				Journey Catechumenate	10:00 AM Lounge Room 105
				Outside Mass	11:30 AM Pavilion
				Contemporary Mass	5:00 PM Worship Space

Prayer for the National Eucharistic Revival

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners.



Outdoor Mass in the Pavilion

Join us in and around the Picnic Pavilion for the 11:30am Sunday Mass

You may also bring your own lawn chair to sit on during Mass. For ease of access, you should plan to park in the back parking lot.

If weather is not conducive to sitting outdoors, signs will be posted and Mass will be moved inside.

Parish News

There is a promise of marriage between:



III Wedding Banns

Ariel Lisiecki and Joseph Adkins

Holy Martyrs Prayer Shawl Ministry



The prayer shawl gives someone a tangible example of God's love and care. The shawl is made of soft yarn so the recipient can wrap up in it and feel God's arms around him or her. The maker of the shawl prays before, during, and after they work on the shawl.

Blessed Prayer Shawls are available at no charge for anyone who would like one for themselves or to give to someone else.

If you are interested in obtaining a prayer shawl or would like more information on joining this ministry, please contact Nancy Mayes at 330-764-3161.

Sacrament of Anointing



Please notify the church office in advance of a surgery or scheduled hospital stay so that you may receive the **Sacrament of Anointing**.

The Church has always prayed for the sick to be freed from pain and restored to health.

To schedule, please call the church office at 330-722-6633

If you would like a prayer shawl at the time of your anointing, please let us know when you schedule the anointing and one will be made available to you.

Pray for those who have died in Christ



Marilyn Pay

Holy Martyrs' Choir

Our parish community's first choir rehearsal is next week on Wednesday night, August 21st, from 7pm to 8:45pm in the Worship Space.



Come join the ministry or, at least, give it a try for this introductory night! All ages from teens and on up are invited - perhaps entire families will give it a try!

VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children

A Virtus Training will be held at Holy Martyrs on **Wednesday, August 28 at 5:30 PM.**

If you are unable to attend this session, the following parishes are also offering Virtus training:

St. Bernard (Akron)
Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 1:00 PM

St. Ambrose (Brunswick)
Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 7:00 PM

St. Anthony of Padua (Akron)
Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 10:00 AM

St. Francis de Sales (Akron)
Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM

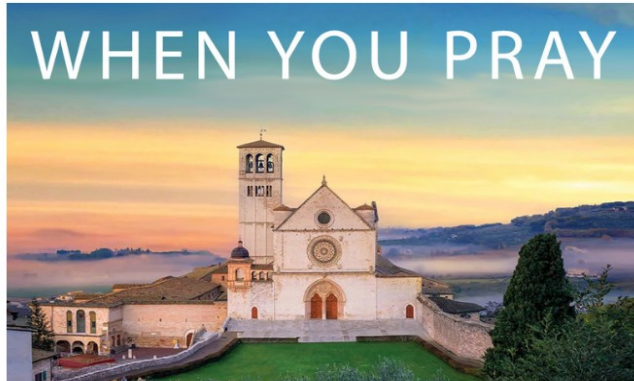
To register go to Virtusonline.org

If you would like additional information, contact Jenny Messina at jmessina@holymartyrs.net

Parish News

The Holy Martyrs Connect Group Experience:
Fall 2024 - Spring 2025

Experience an enjoyable gathering of people who, like you, want to see God in their lives today. Experience the joy of a Connect Group this year! Sign up at holymartyrs.net or at a kiosk in the Gathering Area.



When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

Starting the week of Sept. 15-21

Ever struggle to establish a meaningful prayer life? You're not alone. In our Fall series, we will learn how God wants to lead us on a journey to see Him in our daily lives.



The Joyful Mysteries

Starting the week of Nov. 10-16

Sometimes we feel discouraged, but when our joy is in the Lord, we can see God at work in our lives. Spend some time this Advent with the real joy of Christmas.



Living Faith with Fr. Columba Jordan

Starting the week of Jan. 19-25

When it comes to faith, it's easy to be passive consumers. Living Faith will help us move from being one of the crowd to truly following Jesus every day.



Metanoia

Starting the week of March 9-15

Metanoia is a transformation of the heart. This Lent, we will gain a better understanding of Jesus and how He wants us to see Him in our lives.

Scan the QR Code and Sign up today for the
Fall CONNECT Small Group



Stephen Ministry

What Is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is a complete system for training and organizing laypeople to provide one-to-one care to hurting people in the Holy Martyrs congregation and in the community. There are 3 main groups of people involved in Stephen Ministry:

- **Stephen Leaders** are lay leaders and church staff trained by Stephen Ministries St. Louis to direct Holy Martyrs' Stephen Ministry.
- **Stephen Ministers** are lay Holy Martyrs members specially trained by their Stephen Leaders to provide high-quality Christian care to hurting individuals.
- **Care Receivers** are people who meet with a Stephen Minister to receive care while experiencing a difficult time in life. After being matched with a person experiencing a life crisis, the Stephen Minister meets with that person on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts as long as the need for care exists. A Stephen Minister will meet with you privately - by phone, by video chat, or, if safely possible, in person.

The name Stephen Ministry comes from St. Stephen, one of the first laypeople commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need (Acts 6:1-7).

If you or someone you know is 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



You don't have to face it alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support.

Please join us in praying for and welcoming our newly trained Stephen Ministers who will be commissioned on August 11th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass:

- Amy Funfgeld
- Kelly Kopp
- Beth Lofy
- Geoff Rapp

To find out more about Stephen Ministry, call Janet Payton or Skip McQuate at 330-723-6633.

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HM Kids 2024—2025

We are excited to get reconnected with our HM Kids Families! Our HM Kids Faith Formation Program hosts grades K-6 on Monday evenings from 6-7:15 PM, and grades 1-5, with exceptions for 6th graders, on Tuesdays from 6-7:15 PM.

Our first HM Kids Session will be our Annual Family Night complete with pizza and shaved ice, held on Monday, September 23 and Tuesday, September 24, 2024. Look for our email and text about HM Kids registration in the first week of August.

If your child attends Catholic school, but would like to receive Altar Server Training to serve during Holy Martyrs' Masses, Altar Server training occurs in September and October during our 5th grade HM Kids program, offered on Monday or Tuesday evening. Specific dates TBD.

If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Federinko at sfederinko@holymartyrs.net.
We are so excited to see everyone back in September!

***Reflecting on Prayer at our First Catechist Retreat.
A Special thanks to Denny Marco for being our special guest speaker.***

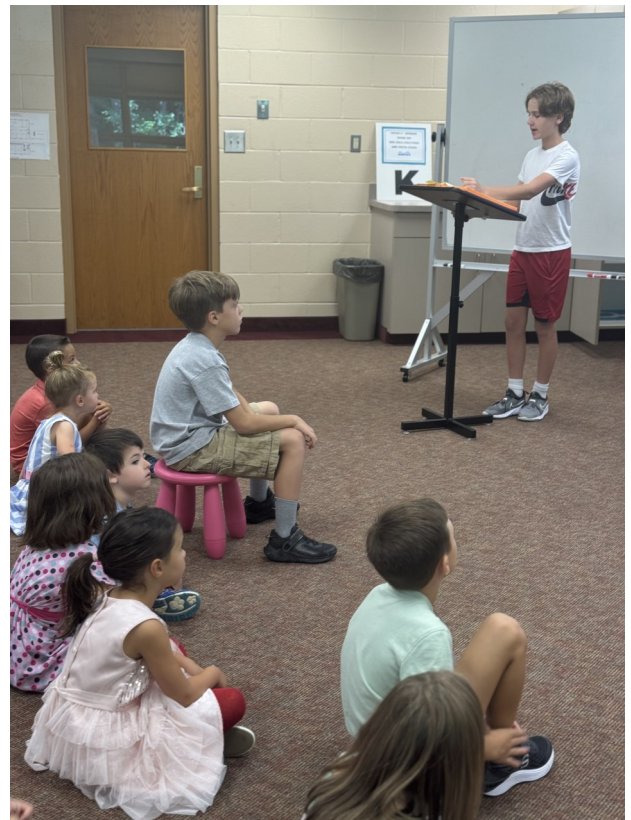
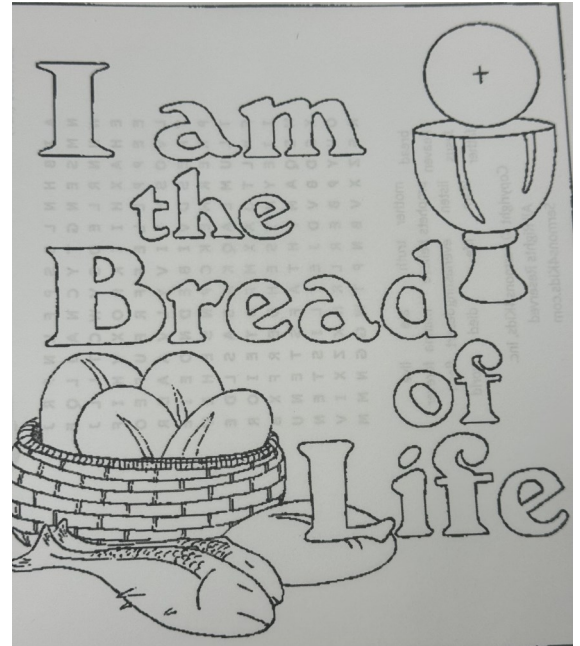


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Time Travelers

Time Travelers learn about how Jesus is the Bread of Life



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Spirit and Life Teen



Spirit Registration is now open.

Please use the QR code or go to the Holy Martyrs website and look under "events" for Spirit.

Spirit is our 7th and 8th grade youth group program, at Holy Martyrs.



Spirit is on Facebook, Instagram and the Holy Martyrs website



LIFE TEEN kicks off the Fall on September 15th with our very own Olympic Games! All high schoolers are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend!



You can register for Life Teen by scanning the QR code, or by visiting our website.



A Disciple Gives with Gratitude

**“FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS,
THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO.”**

Matthew 6:21



How will you steward God's gifts of time, talent and treasure this year?

Your donations now and throughout the year are needed and greatly appreciated.

Holy Martyrs offers a convenient eGiving option that allows you to make a one-time gift or establish scheduled, recurring gifts. We encourage eGiving because it's secure for our parishioners, easy to use and helps the parish streamline its finances.



Thank you for your support of Holy Martyrs. Your spirited generosity ensures we can continue offering programs and services for adults, children and families. None of this would be possible without the generous ongoing support of people like you!!

Vincentian Congregation Mission Appeal August 10 - 11, 2024

We welcome Fr. George Poonattu V.C. a Vincentian Missionary Priest, to our parish this weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He is preaching at all the Masses this weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries, all natives of India, need help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions. They need our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priesthood.

There will be a special collection today at all Masses to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries.

We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering today or would like to make an additional offering, you may make your offering through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope. Please keep Fr. George and all the Vincentian Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support.



Appeal for Catholic Education August 17 - 18, 2024

The story of how important your support is to families who yearn for Catholic Education, but cannot afford it, is a story rooted in the Gospel. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Lk 18:16)

With the Gospel at its heart, Catholic schools provide a loving, nurturing environment where the entire community of parents, teachers, students and supporters are committed to academic and personal success.

Support of Catholic education ensures that students continue to have the opportunity to:

Access academic excellence ♦♦ *Prepare to lead productive lives in our society* ♦♦ *Grow in a life centered on Jesus Christ* ♦♦ *Hear the Gospel message* ♦♦
Experience the joy of a worshipping community

Please be generous.



**Holy Martyrs Café is OPEN
following all of the weekend
Masses.**

**DONUT SUNDAY
and the CAFÉ
are entirely supported by
your generosity.
Thank you!**



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Elsewhere in the Diocese



The Chosen Behind-the-Scenes Look with Series Extras Deacon Will & Liz Yoho

Monday, August 26, 2024 from 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Deacon Will & Liz Yoho share their experiences of being Extras on the set of *The CHOSEN*, a Hollywood quality series about the life of Christ.

- Find out what happens behind the scenes of a major production movie
- See pictures of Matthew's tax collection booth & John the Baptist's jail cell

Everyone will leave knowing that they are CHOSEN. Deacon Will and Liz Yoho are members of Mother of Sorrows Parish in Peninsula, Ohio. They have 7 grown children and 8 grandchildren. They have a passion for our Lord and a passion for *The Chosen*! They have traveled 3 times (so far!) to Texas and Utah to be extras on *The Chosen* and are happy and grateful to be able to share their experiences with others.

Registration: \$15.00

To register go to:

<https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org/>



September 20-22, 2024

The Retrouvaille program is designed to help married couples develop improved ways of communicating and relating to each other in order to overcome challenges which have left them feeling frustrated, hurt, distant, or even hopeless.

Retrouvaille, which means rediscovery, is open to couples of all faiths and is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. This program consists of a weekend experience and six follow up sessions.

For more information or to register, visit www.helpourmarriage.org, or call Shelly or Rob at 216-509-0301 or 440-836-4810.

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