



*The Lord our God is Lord alone!  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.*

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**HOLY MARTYRS**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH 

3100 Old Weymouth Road  
Medina, Ohio 44256

Holy Martyrs

# Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

November 3, 2024

Thirty-First 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

## 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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## Holy Land Carvings are back!



Following all Masses the weekend of November 2nd and 3rd, there will be a display of handmade articles such as Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries and other beautiful religious items for sale.

Holy Land carvings have been popular at Holy Martyrs for many years. When you purchase one of these beautiful gifts, you are helping artisans in the Holy Land provide for their families and live and work with dignity in a region fraught with tension.

Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the holy land of Jesus' birth.

For more information go to: [Giftsofjerusalem.com](http://Giftsofjerusalem.com)



## Parish Staff

Father Stephen J. Dohner  
*Pastor*

Skip McQuate  
*SPIRIT Coordinator*

Brandon Woods  
*Life Teen Coordinator*

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*Director of Music*

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*Communications*

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Father Mark Ott  
*Weekend Priest*

Janet Payton  
*Pastoral Associate*

Shannon Federinko  
*HM Kids Coordinator*

# Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

## *Mass Intentions*

*November 2 - November 10*

## *This Week at Holy Martyrs*

Sat	4:30 PM	Mary Hood	Sun 11/03	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey Catechumenate Mass Contemporary Mass Spirit LIFE TEEN	8:30 AM Pfeiffer Hall 9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203-204 10:00 AM Lounge Room 105 11:30 AM Worship Space 5:00 PM Worship Space 5:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall 5:00 PM Martyrs Hall
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners			
	11:30 AM	Martha Jamison			
	5:00 PM	Tina Giesen	Mon 11/04	Daily Mass HM Kids Monday	12:00 Worship Space 6:00 PM Parish Life Center
Mon	Noon	Andrew Shimko, Jr.	Tues 11/05	Glory Bees Daily Mass HM Kids Tuesday	7:30 AM Worship Space 12:00 Worship Space 6:00 PM PLC
Tues	Noon	Bob Lawrence	Wed 11/06	Daily Mass Choir Rehearsal	12:00 Worship Space 7:00 PM Worship Space
Wed	Noon	Helen Stepp	Thurs 11/07	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision Meeting Taizé Prayer Service Building & Grounds Mtg.	12:00 Worship Space 12:30 PM Worship Space 6:30 PM PLC Room 102 7:00 PM Worship Space 7:30 PM PLC Room 200
Thurs	Noon	Sheila Caine	Fri 11/08	Daily Mass Life Teen Fall Lock In	12:00 Worship Space 8:00 PM Martyrs Hall
Fri	Noon	Annetta Mischak	Sat 11/09	CONNECT Saturday CONNECT Saturday Men NO Reconciliation Today Vigil Mass	9:00 AM Clarke Room 9:30 AM Lounge Room 105 4:30 PM Worship Space
Sat	4:30 PM	Margeurite Wagner	Sun 11/10	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey Catechumenate Mass Confirmation Prep with Parents Contemporary Mass Spirit NO Life Teen Tonight	8:30 AM Pfeiffer Hall 9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203-204 10:00 AM Lounge Room 105 11:30 AM Worship Space 1:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall B 5:00 PM Worship Space 5:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall
Sun	9:30 AM	Charlotte Suder			
	11:30 AM	Timothy Lynch			
	5:00 PM	Parishioners			



*Parish News*

***Sacristans, our Future at Holy Martyrs***

Would you like to set the table? All are invited and someone very special is coming.

The Sacristan Ministry involves important behind-the-scenes set up for each Liturgy. The word "Sacristan" comes from the Latin word, *Sacer*, meaning sacred.

You may not be aware of how the sacred vessels – the ciboria holding the round hosts, the cups, the cruets of water and wine, and the linens -- come to sit precisely where they are at the start of Mass. You may thank a Sacristan for that! As a sacristan, you will learn what the celebrant is using, when he is using it, and why. It can only deepen your understanding and appreciation of Holy Mass.

**Someone Very Special is coming.**

Would you like to help set the table?  
For more information about joining our new sacristan ministry, please contact Eloise Dolph at 330-419-2019.

***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.***



***Holy Martyrs  
Prayer Shawl Ministry***

The prayer shawl gives someone a tangible example of God's love and care. The maker of the shawl prays before, during, and after they work on the shawl.

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.

**Taize**  
PRAYER

Thursday, November 7, 2024  
7:00pm  
Worship Space

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**JOIN US FOR ADORATION AFTER MASS THURSDAY AFTERNOON!**

Mass 12:00pm  
Adoration 12:30-1pm

HOLY MARTYRS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

December 9, 2024  
12:00pm Mass

HOLY MARTYRS  
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*Upcoming Events*



# JOYFUL MYSTERIES

## 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.



**Give-A-Gift**

This year, we will continue our partnership with the Salvation Army and our sister parish, La Sagrada Familia, as well as the Medina County Home, and Catholic Charities of Medina County to sponsor Christmas gift wishes. Look out for future communications about signing up online as well as pulling tags from Christmas trees that will be in the Gathering Area starting November 16th. We ask that you prayerfully consider purchasing a gift or make a financial donation to HM Cares so that this Christmas Season is one to remember for families in Medina County!



## **Help us Continue the Tradition!!**

Each year, Holy Martyrs coordinates a Turkey Run food drive to provide Thanksgiving meals for those who otherwise would not be able to have a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Last year we were able to donate approximately 100 full meals to families at our HM Cares Food Pantry and at La Sagrada Familia in Cleveland .

### **How to Help:**

- 1) Drop off a non-perishable 'dinner kit' or 'dessert kit' on November 24.
- 2) Drop off a frozen turkey on Sunday, November 24 by 12pm.
- 3) Financially 'buy a meal' via a VANCO online donation.
- 4) Participate in sorting & packing meal kits on November 24.
- 5) Participate in the caravan of vehicles that will deliver and hand out Thanksgiving Meals at La Sagrada Families



Turkey Run Sign Up



Vanco e-Giving  
HM Cares

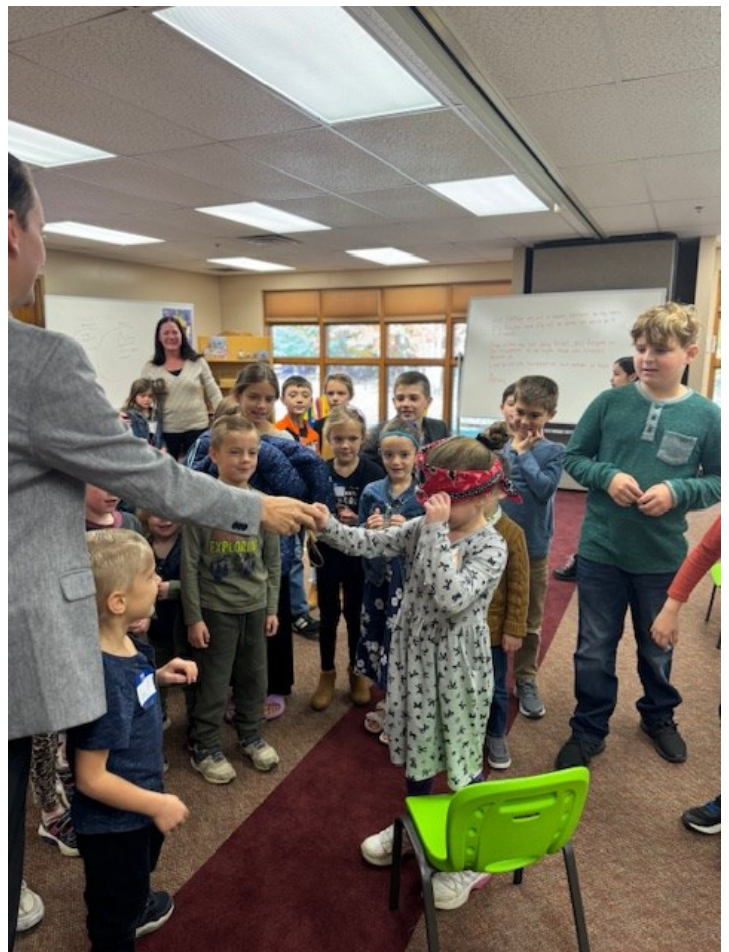
*There continues to be great need within our parish community in Medina County and across Northeast Ohio. Providing support to the poor is a foundational tenet of our Catholic faith and is central to the mission of Holy Martyrs Church. In this spirit, we ask that you consider supporting the HM Cares Ministry this holiday season by sharing your time, talent and/or treasure for those in need.*

*Time Travelers*

*This week our Time Travelers learned that Jesus healed the blind man.*



**We should always be searching for Jesus to guide us when we cannot see.**



**Then they did an activity called Searching for Jesus where one of our Time Travelers found Jesus blindfolded and handed him to Mr. Baddorf.**

# Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

## HM Kids

Michelle Lapeus from HM Cares stopped in to talk to our HM Kids about the upcoming Turkey Run Project that we do every year. HM Cares is such an important ministry at our parish. Thank you to Michele and the entire HM Cares Ministry for the work they do and for being a part of HM Kids!



Our Kindergartners learn to Walk with Love Like Jesus in HM Kids



Each year our fourth graders study a saint and put on a Saint Wax Museum for the rest of our HM Kids. The Catechists work hard to help our HM Kids Saints understand what it means to Be Disciples. Great job fourth graders!



*SPIRIT / Life Teen*

**Spirit**  
at Holy Martyrs

SPIRIT, our 7th and 8th grade youth group, met on Sunday, October 27, 2024.

**UNFOLDED:**

A God-filled Life: How do you see God in your life today?

We discussed "Beginnings" and how we begin to prepare for Confirmation.

At our next Spirit Session on Nov 3, 2024, we will have a guest speaker and our topic of discussion will be "Reveal".

*Spirit is on Facebook, Instagram and the Holy Martyrs website*



Life Teen will meet tonight, November 3rd following the 5:00 PM Contemporary Mass.

*Life Teen Adoration*

*Scan the QR Code and sign up now for Life Teen Lock-In November 8 and 9, 2024.*





## *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.

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

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## *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!!

### GLORY BEES



We are still in need of a few more people willing to help clean the Worship Space each Tuesday morning.

If you are interested in helping, please call the Church Office at 330-722-6633.

Thank you to all who have volunteered their time.

*You are all very much appreciated.*



**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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NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Revival**

*A Year of Mission*

**WE ARE BRINGING THE REVIVAL INTO OUR COMMUNITY**

# TASTE & SEE RETREAT

*Based on the Eucharistic Congress*

Will include:

- Praise & Worship
- Live talks and Recorded talks from the Congress
- Testimonies
- Prayer of Repentance
- Adoration
- Guest Speaker: Fr Damian Ference, Vicar for Evangelization, Secretary for Parish Life and Special Ministries, and as Professor of Philosophy at Borromeo Seminary

*Saturday*  
**November 9**  
10:00am - 3:00pm  
St. Peter's Gym

3577 Center Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville, Ohio



ST. PETER



ST. JULIE BILLIART



*Come and experience a taste of the National Eucharistic Congress as we gather for personal renewal through the power of Christ's love.*



**XLT**

COME & ADORE

Wednesday, November 13th

7:00-8:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration - Speaker -  
Uplifting music - Refreshments



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**SHARED**

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**REGISTER** BY NOVEMBER 4, 2024

Registration online at [stpeternr.org/eucharistic-revival](http://stpeternr.org/eucharistic-revival)

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*Grow*



*Serve*



*Give*



*Share*