



**“And so I say to you, you are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my church”
Matthew 16**

**August 23, 2026
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

HOLY MARTYRS
CATHOLIC CHURCH 

3100 Old Weymouth Road
Medina, OH 44256
330-722-6633

<https://www.holymartyrs.net>



Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

August 23, 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00PM
Monday - Thursday	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

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

email: churchoffice@holymartyrs.net

Pray for those who have died in Christ

Daniel Fox

Friday Morning Prayer



Join Skip McQuate
Fridays @ 8:00am
Oscar Romero Chapel

Come sit in the silence with Jesus on Friday mornings
in the chapel at 8 AM with Skip.
What a wonderful time to hear what God has to say
to us with no distractions.
Skip looks forward to seeing you there.



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

Catholic Education
Faith and Values
Second Collection
August 15th -16th, 2026

Last weekend a second collection was taken to
support Catholic Education in the
Diocese of Cleveland.

Your donation will make a difference in the life of a
child as he or she creates friendships, discovers
talents, develops a sense of community, and grows as
a person of faith in a Catholic school.

Thank you to all who generously donated.

It's not too late to make an online donation.
please go to:

<https://www.catholiccommunity.org/give/catholic-education/faith-values-appeal-for-catholic-education>

Parish Staff

Father Mark S. Ott
Pastor

Janet Payton
Pastoral Associate

Skip McQuate
SPIRIT Coordinator

Abigail Cook
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Christopher Ilg
Director of Music

Father Stephen J. Dohner
Pastor Emeritus

Father Robert F. Pfeiffer
Pastor Emeritus

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Mass Intentions August 22 - August 30

This Week at Holy Martyrs

Sat	4:30 PM	Jerome Grone
Sun	9:30 AM	Maria Teresa Carpio
	11:30 AM	Fredrick Giese
	5:00 PM	Parishioners
Mon	Noon	James Albert Radulski
Tues	Noon	Dorothy Gianneschi
Wed	Noon	Helen and Ralph Mulhan
Thurs	Noon	Karrie Turk-Gallagher
Sat	4:30 PM	Parishioners
Sun	9:30 AM	Deborah Zielinski
	11:30 AM	Alan Krupa
	5:00 PM	Daniel Fox

Sun 08/23	Mass Time Travelers Journey for Adults: Catechumenate Journey for Teens: Catechumenate Outside Mass Friendship Meal	9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203 - 204 10:00 AM Lounge Room 105 10:00 AM Conference Room 11:30 AM Pavilion 1:00 PM Gathering Area Kitchen
Mon 08/24	Mass Life Teen	5:00 PM Worship Space 6:00 PM Dohner Hall
Mon 08/24	Daily Mass Ministry Leaders Meeting	Noon Worship Space 6:30 PM Dohner Hall
Tues 08/25	Glory Bees Daily Mass Stephen Leaders Meeting	7:30 AM Worship Space Noon Worship Space 4:30 PM Sunday Office
Wed 08/26	Daily Mass Prayer Shawl Ministry	Noon Worship Space 1:00 PM Room 103
Thurs 08/27	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision	Noon Worship Space 12:30 PM Worship Space 6:30 PM Room 102
Fri 08/28	Prayer in the Chapel	8:00 AM Chapel
Sat 08/29	Reconciliation Vigil Mass	3:00 PM Chapel 4:30 PM Worship Space
Sun 08/30	Mass Time Travelers Journey for Adults: Catechumenate Journey for Teens: Catechumenate Outside Mass Mass Life Teen	9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203 - 204 10:00 AM Lounge Room 105 10:00 AM Conference Room 11:30 AM Pavilion 5:00 PM Worship Space 6:00 PM Dohner Hall

Daily Mass

MONDAY - THURSDAY
12:00 pm

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Could you, or
somebody you know
benefit from having
a Stephen Minister?

Contact Janet Payton
or Skip McQuate
at 330-722-6633.



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Parish News

Catholic Charities of Medina County Annual Christmas Resale Event

Catholic Charities of Medina County is currently accepting donations of gently used Christmas items NOW thru October 1st. The donations can be dropped off at the Catholic Charities of Medina County office at 4210 North Jefferson St., Medina, from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.

If you have any questions, you can call the office at 330-723-9615.

The sale will be held at the same address on Saturday, October 3rd, from 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM. The money raised from the sale will fund our community foodshelf to provide food to anyone in the community in need.



Donate!

Catholic Charities Community Services of Medina County is hosting a Christmas resale event!

Please donate your gently used Christmas items and décor for the sale – Accepting donations until Thursday, October 1st.

4210 North Jefferson St., Suite A
Medina, OH 44256

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Proceeds will support

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Diocese of Cleveland

Community Services of Medina County
Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

 For additional information, call 330-723-9615

The Prayer Corner

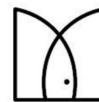


The Prayer Corner

Are you looking for a way to bring prayer into your daily life? If you need inspiration or want to try something new, consider this suggestion from one of Holy Martyrs Parish Pastoral Council Members:

"I listen every weekday morning to the Gospel Reflections in My Catholic Life! App. It is an uplifting way to start the day and reflect on how Jesus is calling me to live out his teachings in my life. Also available in the app are Saints, Catholic Teachings, Inspiring Quotes and much more." - Wendy Bobey

Visit the Welcome Center for the full Prayer Resource List compiled by our HM Parish Council.



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 provided 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.

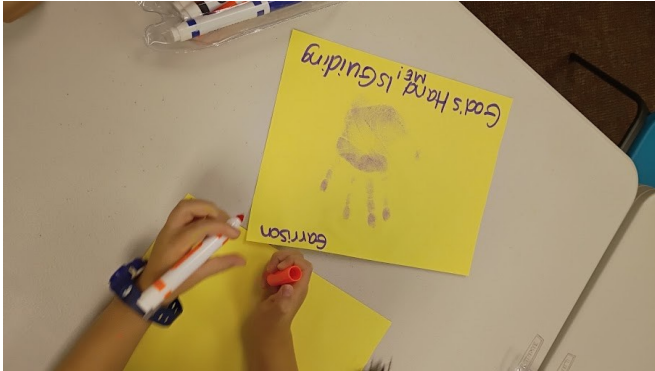
If you are interested in obtaining a prayer shawl or would like more information on joining this ministry, please contact Nancy Mayes at 330-607-2320.

Pray ✨ Grow ✨ Serve ✨ Give ✨ Share

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Faith Formation

Time Travelers



**Registration
Now Open**



HM Kids

Grades K-6

Monday Nights from 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM

Starts September 14th

Please use the QR
Code to sign up



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Faith Formation

Spirit at Holy Martyrs

SPIRIT, our 7th and 8th grade youth group, will begin in September.

Registration will be forthcoming.

The theme of our year will be “Unsuspecting Hero”.

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



Life Night



Life Teen will meet on Sunday,
August 23
following the 5:00 PM Mass



(and talked about false idols,
especially within social media)

Pray



Grow



Serve



Give



Share

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A Disciple Gives with Gratitude



Your Sunday Offering

"GIVE TO THE MOST HIGH AS HE
HAS GIVEN TO YOU,
GENEROUSLY, ACCORDING TO
YOUR MEANS."

Sirach 35:9



SERVE with LOVE

- A Holy Martyrs Discipleship Practice -

In a God Filled Life, how
are we serving as disciples
of Jesus Christ?



First Friday Club of Greater Akron

Our Lady of Cedars
507 South Cleveland Massillon Rd.
Fairlawn, OH 44333

September 4, 2026

Guest Speaker: Fr. Norm Douglas
Pastor St. Vincent Church, Akron

Speaking on
"Reflections on 9/11 - Then & Now"

The cost of the luncheon program is \$25.00. Doors open at 11:00 AM; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00 PM.

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

No later than Tuesday, September 1, 2026

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