



HOLY MARTYRS CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths."
Psalm 25*

September 27, 2026

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Holy Martyrs Catholic Church

Encounter Christ + Grow in Faith + Make Disciples

September 27, 2026

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Staff

Father Mark S. Ott	Pastor
Janet Payton	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Skip McQuate	<i>SPIRIT Coordinator</i>
Abigail Cook	<i>HM Kids Director</i>
Christopher Ilg	<i>Director of Music</i>
Father Stephen J. Dohner	<i>Pastor Emeritus</i>
Father Robert F. Pfeiffer	<i>Pastor Emeritus</i>

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM
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**
Closed for Lunch 12:45-1:30 PM
1:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Friday - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Phone: 330-722-6633
email: churchoffice@holymartyrs.net

Bishop Malesic's Statement on Immigration

Bishop Edward Malesic is frequently asked for his thoughts on the challenging immigration issues facing our country. He has prepared a summary of his reflections and included links to his previous individual and joint statements made with other bishops on this important issue.

The page is available here:
<https://dioceseofcleveland.org/immigrants>
or use this QR code to link to it:



I encourage all faithful Catholics to read Bishop Malesic's message and spend some time prayerfully reflecting on it as we each endeavor to form our consciences well.

Blessings to you,

Fr. Mark

Friday Morning Prayer



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

Come sit in the silence with Jesus on Friday morning in the chapel at 8:00 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.

Pray



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Mass Intentions September 26 - October 4

Sat	4:30 PM	Parishioners
Sun	9:30 AM	Leo Martino
	11:30 AM	Thomas Zabrecky
	5:00 PM	Norbert Lewandowski
Mon	Noon	Leigh Doptis
Tues	Noon	Phillip Ott
Wed	Noon	John Degli
Thurs	Noon	Carmen Martino
Sat	4:30 PM	Robert Frygier
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners
	11:30 AM	Iris Johnson
	5:00 PM	Ray Jakob

*Pray for those who have
died in Christ*



Norbert (Nobby) Lewandowski

This Week at Holy Martyrs

Sun 09/27	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey for Adults: Catechumenate Mass Journey for Teens: Inquiry Confirmation Class w/Skip Mass Life Teen Spirit	9:00 AM 9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 1:00 PM 3:00 PM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Pfeiffer Hall A Worship Space Rooms 203 - 204 Lounge Room 105 Worship Space Sunday Office Sunday Office Worship Space Dohner Hall Pfeiffer Hall
Mon 09/28	Daily Mass HM Kids CONNECT Parents	Noon 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Worship Space Parish Life Center Kazel Room
Tues 09/29	Glory Bees CONNECT Moms: Morning Daily Mass Stephen Leader Meeting CONNECT Moms: Evening CONNECT Tuesday Evening CONNECT Men Evening	7:30 AM 9:00 AM Noon 4:30 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Space Pfeiffer Hall B Worship Space Sunday Office Lounge Room 105 Kazel Room Clarke Room
Wed 09/30	Daily Mass Prayer Shawl Ministry CONNECT Wed Afternoon CONNECT Mixed Adults CONNECT Wed Evening Choir Rehearsal	Noon 1:00 PM 2:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Space Room 103 Lounge Room 105 Room 102 Lounge Room 105 Worship Space
Thurs 10/01	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration CONNECT Mixed Adults Taize Prayer Service Building and Grounds Mtg.	Noon 12:30 PM 2:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Worship Space Worship Space Room 102 Worship Space Room 200
Fri 10/02	Prayer in the Chapel	8:00 AM	Chapel
Sat 10/03	CONNECT Men CONNECT Mixed Adults Pet Blessing Reconciliation Vigil Mass	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 3:00 PM 4:30 PM	Lounge Room 105 Clarke Room Front Parking Lot Chapel Worship Space
Sun 10/04	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey for Adults: Catechumenate Mass Journey for Teens: Inquiry Confirmation Class w/Skip Confirmation Readings Practice Mass Life Teen Spirit	9:00 AM 9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:30 AM 1:00 PM 3:00 PM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Pfeiffer Hall A Worship Space Rooms 203-204 Lounge Room 105 Conference Room Worship Space Sunday Office Sunday Office Worship Space Worship Space Dohner Hall Pfeiffer Hall

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Parish News



Discovering Christ Fall Series Begins October 6

Have questions about faith? Curious if there's more to life? Join us for Discovering Christ, a warm, no-pressure 7-week series (ChristLife) exploring who Jesus is and what it means to follow Him.

Sessions meet Tuesday evenings,
October 6 – November 17, 6:00–8:30 pm
at Holy Martyrs, plus a one-day retreat on Saturday,
November 7, 9:00 am–3:00 pm.

A delicious meal will be served every time we gather, and childcare will be provided during the Tuesday evening sessions.

All are welcome — whether new to faith, returning after time away, or ready to go deeper.

To register, use this QR code:



Space will be limited, and registration will close on October 1st, so sign up NOW!

Pet Blessing at



Saturday, October 3, 2026

11:00 AM

Front Parking Lot



Installation Mass for Fr. Mark Ott

Join us as we officially welcome our new Pastor, Fr. Mark Ott. The Mass of Installation will be presided over by Bishop Martin Amos today, September 27, 2026 at the 11:30 AM Mass,

There will be a small reception in the Gathering Area immediately following Mass to greet Fr. Mark and welcome him into our parish family.

Please keep Fr. Mark in your prayers as he begins his ministry with us. May the Holy Spirit guide his words, strengthen his heart, and bless his service to our parish family.

There is a promise of marriage between:



II Wedding Banns

Richard Takacs and Megan Popovich

Bruce McAuliffe and Gina Ringgenberg



If you need a friend or know someone who does, ask if a Stephen Minister can help.

For more information, call Janet Payton or Skip McQuate at 330-722-6633.

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Faith Formation

Time Travelers
Sundays during the 9:30 AM Mass



We had an awesome start to
HM Kids!
The students got to meet their
catechists and then got a Kona
Ice.



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Faith Formation

SPiRiT, our 7th and 8th grade youth group began Sunday, September 20, 2026 starting with the 5:00 pm Mass. It's not too late to register.

Spirit
at Holy Martyrs

We had a great time putting together brown bag lunches for the less fortunate who go to St. Bernard's in Akron to get a lunch. We also had a great walk out to the Cross at the corner of Route 3 and Old Weymouth.



SPiRiT

AT HOLY MARTYRS

Middle School Youth Group
Sunday Nights 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Starts September 20th

The theme of our year will be "Unsuspecting Hero." Registration is still open. Please register using the QR Code.



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



Life Teen Registration is still open. Please scan the QR Code to register for the 2026-2027 Year.



Life Teen will meet Sunday, September 27th following the 5:00 PM Mass.



What is LifeTeen?

LifeTeen is our high school youth ministry that meets Sunday nights from 6pm-8pm in Dohner Hall here at Holy Martyrs.



Our Life Nights include faith, fun, and food!

We eat dinner together, play some fun (and usually chaotic) games, and tie it all together with prayer or faith-based activities.



Come join us Sunday, September 20th for our big Fall Kickoff!

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A Disciple Gives with Gratitude



St. Francis Xavier School is hosting an IGNATIUS BOOK FAIR!

The Ignatius Book Fair will offer an incredible selection of wholesome, enriching, and age appropriate Catholic and secular works that inspire, educate, and allow our community to explore the complementary nature of faith and literature.

Come browse and shop our public hours in the Xavier Room:

- Thursday, October 8 2:30 - 8:00 pm
- Sunday, October 11 after the 10 am and 12 pm Masses
- Monday, October 12 4:30 - 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, October 14 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Questions? Contact our school librarian, Erin Becker at ebecker@sfxmedina.org.

Catholic Communication Campaign Second Collection - September 26 - 27, 2026

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps CCC fulfill its mission of love to share the gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media.

Half of the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Cleveland to support local efforts. The other half support the communication activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other projects across the United States and abroad. Be part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.



Holy Martyrs Cafe Needs YOU

We do more than serve Coffee and Donuts



Our vibrant Ministry offers a warm, friendly atmosphere that helps build community among our parishioners.

If you enjoy hospitality and serving; if you are looking for a ministry with a flexible schedule; if you want to connect with others; if you want a fun way to get your daily steps in - check out our Cafe, it may be a good fit for you.

We are especially in need of more smiles and friendly faces for our 11:30 am and 5:00 pm Masses



Stop by the Cafe or pick up a flyer at our Welcome Center.

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