

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11
5:00pm SFX –Terri Artzner by Thomas & Jeanette Blackburn

Sunday, May 12 - *The Ascension of The Lord*
8:30am SFX - Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes
10:30am SG - Mark T. Kocher by Craig & Stacey Hamric

Monday, May 13-*Our Lady of Fatima*
9:00am SFX – Mike Hudak by Janine & Celena Hudak

Tuesday, May 14-*St. Matthias*
9:00am SG – Special Intention

Wednesday, May 15
9:00am SFX – Mabel & Dan Betzel by Mary Ann Coyne

Thursday, May 16
9:00am SG – Kenneth Zwick by Family

Friday, May 17-No Mass Today

Saturday, May 18
5:00pm SFX –Theresa Grecu by Patti Ware

Sunday, May 19- *Pentecost Sunday*
8:30am SFX –Dave Bille by Anita & John Tokos
10:30am SG –Living and Deceased Members of Our Parishes

Weekly Contributions Weekend of May 5, 2024

The weekly collection is very important to the life of the parish. It demonstrates the faith of the people and is used to assess the viability of our parishes.

St. Gabriel: Adult \$2,881; Online giving \$885; Loose \$267; Catholic Home Mission \$55; Capital Imp. \$360; Ascension \$140; Catholic Comm. Campaign \$30; Catholic Home Mission \$55

St. Francis Xavier: Adult \$2,545; Online giving \$458.50; Loose \$417; Extra Ordinary Expense \$92; Catholic Comm. Campaign \$5; Ascension \$45

Good Shepherd Hall \$200

Please note: The “On-line Giving” total (above) is the Adult Collection as well as any Other Donations made on our website. **Thank you for your generosity.**

CHURCH SUPPORT

Thanks to all for your financial support to our parishes. You may **Mail** gifts to: **Parish Office, PO Box 275 Minerva, OH 44657**, use the **On-line Giving** (see front of bulletin for details), or place them in **Collection**.

WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE FOR May 5, 2024

Sat 5:00pm (SFX)	79	Sun. 8:30am (SFX)	93
		Sun. 10:30am (SG)	90

7th Sunday—Feast of the Ascension

VOCATION VIEWS: Jesus commissions us to go into the whole world and proclaim the good news. What do you need to carry out this mission? Ask for that grace. (Mark 16:15-20)

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Home: Joe Churico, Joe Kiko.

Prayer Chain for St. Francis and St. Gabriel:

For the prayer list for St. Francis, please call Dolores Hudson at 330-863-0273.
 “MASS FOR SHUT-INS”

You may view on our Website: stgabriel-stfrancis.org, or St. Gabriel and St. Francis Church Facebook. Watch as the event happens, or later on at your convenience. **9:00 am Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday. Sunday Mass: 10:30am**

Minister Schedule: May 11/12, 2024

MASS TIME	SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCH. MIN
5:00pm (SFX)	Levi McKarns	B.Rossetti	R.Schott G.Rhodes K.Winter
8:30am (SFX)	Volunteer	K.Wackerly	J.Kandel M.Larson M.Hain
10:30am (SG)	C.Jurkiewicz T.Jurkiewicz	N.Marko	L.Grim B.Pilati M.Ellis

Minister Schedule: May 18/19, 2024

MASS TIME	SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCH. MIN
5:00 pm (SFX)	Levi McKarns	S.Coen	R.Schott G.Rhodes
8:30 am (SFX)	Volunteer	D.Thompson	M.Hain R.Irwin M.Larson
10:30am (SG)	Ava Whiteleather Alice Whiteleather	B.Cinson	D.Cinson S.Roby D.Toussant

WITH SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Margaret Jenkins** (101) of St. Gabriel. Margaret was the oldest member of our parish family and very faithful for many years.

We offer our prayers to Eleanor Carson and family on the recent loss of her son **David Carson** (74) who passed away on April 22, 2024. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

“GOOD SHEPHERD HALL” ~A Catholic Community Center~



Our hall is a joint effort by and for both parishes located on the St. Francis campus. Thank you for Your continued Pledge payments, one time Gifts, new Pledges, and Memorial Gifts. Thanks to all who are contributing towards the support of our facility.

RENTAL: Open to the general public for events and special occasions. Special rates regularly apply to **Registered and Active** members of either parish through your financial support in the building and maintenance of our facility. **Spread the news. Rental Information, Scheduling and Rates, Contact Kathy Pirolozzi (330) 705-1273 or Paula Tucci (330) 206-3657**



2024 DIOCESAN PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN May 7, 2024 Report

	Goal:	Pledges:	% of Goal:
St. Gabriel	\$27,341	\$23,735	87%
St. Francis Xavier	\$27,341	\$20,596	75%

Please Note: The Goal (identical) for both parishes is correctly posted. This is due to an increase in the Diocesan budget this year, and a revision of the process of determining the assessment for each parish in the Diocese.

Sincerest Thanks to all who have responded so generously as we begin the 2024 DPSC Campaign. Both parishes are well on the way to meeting our goals. Remember that all gifts **over our goal** come back to our parishes. We use these rebates to help maintain our buildings and grounds and for any emergency repairs. **This is the best way to make a gift to your parish.** About **25% of our parishioners have responded so far.** If you have not had an opportunity to respond, it is not too late. I hope that more members of our parishes will respond in the days ahead. Use the pre-addressed DPSC envelope found in the narthex of church, call the parish office, or go online at **www.Give.DioSteub.org**. **God Bless your generosity!**



CONFIRMATION

You are invited to join us on **Saturday, May 18 at 5 PM** at St. Francis Xavier, Malvern as we welcome Bishop Paul Bradley who will confirm 12 of our young people. These candidates have been preparing for the celebration of this third Sacrament of Initiation for two years. They have been involved in service projects, worked with their sponsors and attended weekly learning sessions under the direction of their catechists Victoria Orem and Nancy Jurkiewicz. Our candidates are:

Kali Bettis, Kelly Bolanz, Lexi Burbank, Alexis Celaya, Talon Cyders, Mylah Fescemyer, Addison Jurkiewicz, Kiptin Kiko, Jason Sivy, Emmie Toussant, Lylah Toussant, and Ava Whiteleather.

Please keep them and their Sponsors in your prayers this week and plan to join us for the conferring of the Holy Spirit upon them at the 5 PM Mass next Saturday. Following Mass, everyone is invited to continue the celebration of this memorable occasion in Good Shepherd Hall and take this opportunity to welcome and meet Bishop Paul Bradley.



*“I am in your midst
as one who serves you”*

SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, May 19, 2024,
 from **1:00—4:00 pm**
To celebrate
Fr. Vic’s 50th Jubilee.

All parishioners and friends are invited to attend the **50th Jubilee Celebration** of Fr. Victor Cinson’s Ordination into the Priesthood [May 14, 1974]. This Open House event will be held at Good Shepherd Hall, 125 S. Carrollton St., Malvern. The St. Francis Xavier and St. Gabriel Catholic Woman’s Clubs have joined together to plan and host this celebration of Fr. Vic’s 50 years of loving and devoted service to God and His people. Refreshments will be served.



VBS is BACK Vacation Bible School this summer!

Mark your calendars for July **8th through July 12th in the evenings.** The theme is **Scuba diving into a friendship with God!** Ages 4yrs old through 6th grade. 7th grade and up are encouraged to attend & assist/lead group activities.

Please contact **Michele Fescemyer at 330-771-0442** for any questions or if you are interested in helping. More information will be coming Soon!



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Forty days after Easter is celebrated as the Ascension of the Lord into heaven. Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name reminding them that he is always with us through his Spirit. Let us, therefore, live in a manner worthy of the call we have received.

SENT FORTH

Today we celebrate Jesus’ return to heaven. If we struggle to know how to feel about this event, we take our cue from Jesus’ disciples. These disciples are first-hand witnesses to the Ascension, returning afterward to Jerusalem, where “they were continually in the temple praising God.” Long-time companions of the Lord, they surely feel the pain of physical separation from Jesus. Yet they praise God continually. They accept God’s plan, looking forward to the day when Christ will come again. As our reading from Hebrews affirms, Christ will return to “bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.” This Good News is almost too much to take in; the Acts of the Apostles explains that an angel has to wake the disciples from their stupor, reminding them to start the Lord’s work. Today’s readings are our own angel, sending us forth in joyful hope. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Lord Jesus, you became man and came to live among us. For love of us, you suffered and died for us. Because you are God, you conquered death and rose on the third day. Today you return to your Father and our Father, But you promised to remain with us till the end of time, And to send us the Holy Spirit. Amen.



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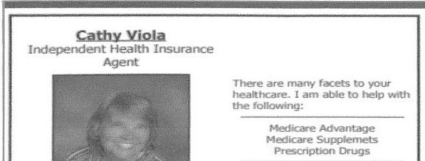
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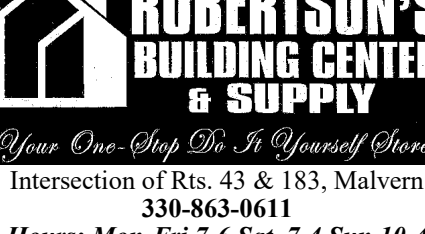
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OFFICE HOURS: Office/Rctory: 330-868-4498
10am - 4pm Monday -Thursday

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE Please check the inside for Holy Days and other information.
SATURDAY: 5:00pm St. Francis
SUNDAY: 8:30am St. Francis
10:30am St. Gabriel

WEEKDAYS: 9:00am Mon and Wed. St. Francis
9:00am Tues. and Thurs. St. Gabriel
—See Schedule inside for changes and Special Days—


CONFESSIONS - Saturday
St. Gabriel. 2:00-2:45pm
St. Francis. 30 minutes prior to the 5 pm Mass as time allows

Other times by request. (Note: Confession will be canceled when there is a wedding/funeral at either church).


BAPTISMS
Parents are to call the Parish Office arrange for a preparation meeting. The child need not yet be born to make these arrangements.

MARRIAGES
Couples intending to marry need to contact the pastor personally 6 months prior to the desired date. This meeting is necessary to set the date and answer any questions.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please call the rectory when you are hospitalized, or would like to request the Anointing of the Sick.



MOTHER
Somewhere between the youthful energy of the teenager and the golden twilight years of a women's life, there lives a marvelous and loving person known... as mother. A mother is a curious mixture of patience, kindness, tolerance, understanding, discipline, industry, purity, and love. A mother can be at one and the same time, both love lore and counselor to a heart-sick daughter, and a head football coach to an athletic son. A mother can sew the tiniest stitch in the material for that dainty prom dress, and she is equally experienced in threading through the heaviest of traffic with a large station wagon. A mother is the only creature on earth who can cry when she's happy, laugh when she's heartbroken, and work when she's sick. A mother is as gentle as a lamb, and as strong as a giant. Only a mother can appear so weak and helpless, and yet at the same time, can put the fruit jar cover on so tightly that even dad can't get it off. A mother is a picture of helplessness when dad's around, but a marvel of resourcefulness when she's all alone. A mother has the angelic voice of a member of the celestial choir as she sings the Brahms Lullaby to a baby held tightly in her arms; and yet the same voice can dwarf the sound of an amplifier when she calls her boys in for supper. A mother has the fascinating ability to be almost everywhere at once, and she alone can somehow squeeze an enormous amount of living into an average day. A mother is old fashioned to her teenager. She's just "mom" to the third-grader, and she's "mamma" to the little two-year old. There's no greater thrill in life than to point to that wonderful woman and be able to say to all the world, "That's my mother." by Fred Cruz



Call to Convention:
The Diocese of Steubenville Council of Catholic Women will be holding the annual convention this year on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at Holy Family Church in Steubenville. The theme for this year is "Celebrating 79 Years" and it begins at 8:15am in Malara Hall. Any questions about registration, you may go to the Diocesan website at www.diosteub.org/offices/dccw or you can contact the parish CWC officers before May 22nd to register!

DIocese OF STEUBENVILLE: Presents Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress July 17-21, 2024. Come with us to the 10th National Eucharist Congress. The trip includes bus transportation with Steubenville and Cambridge departure points, lodging, transfers between hotel and event locations, and breakfast daily. Price: \$799 per person double (other rates available). To register call **Wendt Touring at 740-282-5790.**

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN
Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Steubenville to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today! Learn more at www.uscc.org/ccc.

BULLETIN DEADLINE All items must be submitted to the parish office **in writing** by **12 NOON ON TUESDAY.**
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