

OUR LADY OF THE HILLS

The Catholic Community of Adams and Highland Counties

St. Mary Church 212 S. High St. • Hillsboro, OH 45133 937-840-9932 Masses Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Tues. 9:15 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

612 E. Mulberry St. • West Union, OH 45693 937-544-2757 secretary@holytrinity-ac.org Masses Sat. 5:00 p.m. Sun. 11:00 a.m. Mon. 7:00 p.m. Wed. 9:00 a.m. Fri 12:00 p.m.

Fr. MIKE PARANIUK, PASTOR 937-403-2510 • edbourdase@yahoo.com ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH 204 S. Second St. • Greenfield, OH 45123 937-981-2785 • stbenignus@gmail.com Masses Sat. 3:30 p.m. Sun. 12:00 p.m. Tues. 11:00 a.m. Fri. 12:00 p.m.

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FAMILY WEBSITE http://www.ourladyofthehillsoh.com



ST. MARY CHURCH • HILLSBORO ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH • GREENFIELD



Email: stbenignus@gmail.com

ST. MARY	ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
PROGRAM CONTACTS			
	JUNE 16, 2024		
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:	CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION): CONFESSION IS AVAILABLE		
George Sakash Phone: 937-205-0919	BEFORE THE MASSES OR BY APPOINTMENT.		
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:	ROSARY EVERY SUNDAY AT 7:40 A.M. AT ST. MARY CHURCH		
Grand Knight, Jim Hehl	SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024		
Phone: 937-661-4835	8:00 a.m. St. Mary Joel Griggs (Coleen Bolton)		
RCIA:	CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AT 9:45 A.M. EVERY SUNDAY		
Joyce Combs	BEFORE 10:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. MARY CHURCH		
Phone: 937-403-6708	10:00 a.m. St. Mary Stephen Lerch (Lydia Breckel)		
PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION	Noon St. Benignus Loren, Margaret & Michael Hays (Patty Hays)		
(GRADES PRE-K THROUGH 12TH)	Fr. Mike Paraniuk		
Michelle Vanzant Salyer	THECONY, HUNE 19, 2024		
Phone: 937-840-9932	Tuesday, June 18, 2024 9:15 a.m. St. Mary Regina Schmidt (Adam Rockey)		
Email: stmarycre119@gmail.com	9:15 a.m. St. Mary Regina Schmidt (Adam Rockey) ROSARY EVERY TUESDAY AT 11:00 A.M. AT ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH		
CHOIR/MUSIC DIRECTOR:	11:30 a.m. St. Benignus Arlene Boulas (Ellen Clark)		
Lynn Turner	Fr. Mark Bredestege		
Phone: 937-763-8522			
PRO-LIFE REPRESENTATIVE:	HOLY HOUR EVERY THURSDAY AT ST. MARY CHURCH		
Mary Tamborski	3RD THURSDAY MASS EVERY MONTH IS DEDICATED TO PRO-LIFE		
Phone: 937-205-4458	THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024		
ST. MARY CHURCH OFFICE &	6:00 p.m. Exposition at St. Mary		
ST. MARY PRESCHOOL:	6:30 p.m. Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary		
Leah Salyer, Administrative Assistant &	6:50 p.m. Benediction at St. Mary		
Beacons of Light	7:00 p.m. St. Mary Lloyd Richendollar (Lois Richendollar)		
Office: 937-840-9932 Cell: 937-205-3038	Fr. Mike Paraniuk		
Email: justleahatstmary@gmail.com	FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024		
Email: Justicanatstinary@gmail.com	Noon St. Benignus Bill & Ellen Clark (Bob Dye)		
ST. BENIGNUS	Fr. Mark Bredestege		
	SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024		
PROGRAM CONTACTS	3:30 p.m. St. Benignus Bill Soards (Jackie Soards & Family)		
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:	5:30 p.m. St. Mary Intention for Lizzie & Riley Smith (Mary Tamborski)		
Gene DeBruin	Fr. Mark Bredestege		
Phone: 937-981-2785	-		
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Grand Knight, Bruce Bennett, Sr.	SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024		
Phone: 740-463-3406	8:00 a.m. St. Mary Chief Rudy Thomsen (Lydia Breckel)		
RCIA:	10:00 a.m. St. Mary Dustin Blanchard (Taryn Hastings)		
Phone: 937-981-2785	Noon St. Benignus Healing of Dick Lester (Chyane Collins)		
Email: stbenignus@gmail.com	Fr. Mark Bredestege		
PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:			
Chyane Collins	339 6		
, Phone: 740-572-2101	No 2		
Email: chyanecollins@gmail.com			
Bruce Bennett, Jr.			
Phone: 740-572-2085			
Email: bennettb@greatoaks.com	ST. MARY COLLECTION – JUNE 9, 2024		
CHOIR/MUSIC DIRECTOR:	Weekly Need\$ 6,500.00		
Kristy Bockrath	Weekly Collection\$ 6,437.00		
Phone: 937-361-6590	Variance\$ -63.00		
Email: krbockr@icloud.com	FISCAL YEAR NEED		
LADIES AUX:	FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED		
President: Paula Miller	VARIANCE\$ -23,132.00		
Phone: 937-876-9883			
ST. BENIGNUS CEMETERY:	ST. BENIGNUS COLLECTION – JUNE 9, 2024		
Phone: 937-981-2785	Weekly Need\$ 1,900.00		
Email: stbenignus@gmail.com	Weekly Collection\$ 1,988.00		
PRO-LIFE REPRESENTATIVE: Mary Tamborski	Variance\$ +88.00		
Phone: 937-205-4458	FISCAL YEAR NEED		
ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH OFFICE:	FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED		
Phone: 937-981-2785;			
Email: sthenignus@gmail.com	Thank You for your Generosity!		

PLEASE PRAY FOR

ST. BENIGNUS &

Remember in your prayers those

parishioners or their family or friends who

are sick, in the hospital, nursing home,

Frank, Jeff Hadley, Becky Hiser, Theresa Shackelford, Cathy Thompson, Teresa Staten, Edna Maxwell, Jean Smith, Howard Smith, Ron Speakman, Linda Strahler, Dick Lester, Deacon Len Parker, Tom Moran,

**To Add/Remove from Parish Prayer

List, please inform the office (937-840-9932, St. Mary) or leave a note in the collection basket. (St. Benignus Church

**Please submit by Monday 10:00 a.m.

in writing or email at justleahatstmary@

gmail.com, or submit in my mailbox

located at the front of the school or call

\$65.447.25 Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall.

** Volunteers needed for Bingo. Help is

needed from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Substitute Team Help needed also. Please call the Church Office at 937-840-9932 **

Bingo Team 2 (July 5, 2024)

David Tamborski, Mary Tamborski, Tara

Bloom, Joyce Combs, Barb Barker, Kevin

homebound or in need of prayers...

ST. MARY PRAYER LIST Archbishop Schnurr, David Tolle, Brittany Kinzer, Eric Arrington, Paula Miller, Claudia

Jeff McCoy, Kaye Miller, Pam Huff

Office, 937-981-2785)**

BULLETIN DEADLINE

the office at 937-840-9932.**

ST. MARY CHURCH

BINGO

FR. LUEHRMANN HALL

PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep Archbishop Schnurr in your prayers. He has been diagnosed with small bowel cancer and will begin a six-month regimen for treatment. His health overall is good, but can use the support and prayers of the faithful as he begins this endeavor.



Happy Father's Day To ALL Who Have Given Us A Father's Love!

DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry - Religious Ed. Bldg. - St. Benignus 6:00-7:30 p.m. THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024

> Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass - Knights of Columbus Patriotic Rosary -St. Mary

Grand Knight: Bruce Bennett Sr. Contact: 740-463-3406

SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE

Be a sign of

Peter's Pence Collection

NEWS AROUND OUR LADY OF THE HILLS

Please note: at this time, it is **not** live yet but will be soon! **http://www.ourladyofthehillsoh.com.**

MONDAY, JULY 15-THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024

Vacation Bible School – Barnyard Roundup – St. Mary 6:00-8:00 p.m. Contact Michelle Salyer for more information at 937-840-9932.

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2024

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. SVdP Annual Rummage Sale - St. Mary

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2024

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. SVdP Annual Rummage Sale - St. Mary

JULY 29-AUGUST 2, 2024

6:00-8:00 p.m. Sea Explorers Vacation Bible School – Holy Trinity Church. Contact Kathy Gerth for more information at 937-661-4070.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024

6:30 p.m. Ladies Aux. Meeting - Religious Ed. Bldg. - St.Benignus

THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024

FAMILY WEBSITE COMING SOON!!

Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass Knights of Columbus Patriotic Rosary - St. Mary SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024 11:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus St. Benignus in Father Lay Hall - St. Benignus



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!

June 16 – Abigail Hall, Dorothy Harrington June 17 – Betty Germann June 19 - Sue Hurley

Stuebs, Teresa Stuebs

- June 20 Erika Martin, Rob Moffat
- June 21 Spencer Brown, Walker Pence June 22 – Heather Loudin
- June 24 Katie Ross
- June 28 Bruce Bennett, Darlene Markel, Kim O'Brien, Tom Wakeman
- June 29 Deacon Len Parker
- July 1 Tami Florek
- July 3 Jennie Boden, Jennifer Ewing,
- Joni Stultz
- July 5 Kayleigh Elliott
- July 7 Dorthy Creed, Keith Chambers, Sally Frydryk

SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Be a sign of mercy. **The weekend of June 29-30th,** we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

ST. MARY CHURCH, HILLSBORO – CONFIRMATION MASS

October 22, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Fr. Bernie Weldishofer, our Dean from St. Columbkille, will be the celebrant.

40-DAY DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION

(Series of 13 Retreats consisting of six to seven seminars each)

June 24-26 – Living In Reality

This seminar helps build a firm foundation for a Christian who is just beginning a walk with the Lord. There is much to consider here. If there are cracks in your foundation, areas in need of healing of which you are not even aware, you are at risk of great loss in your life.

June 26-28 – How Do I Seek the Kingdom of God

This one provides building blocks for the Christian Life and a broad view of the Church established by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

June 28-30 – Lifestyle In The Spirit

Teachings from the Bible that challenge the ways of the world that have ensnared many Christians.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Discipleship Center, 5701 Lawshe Road, Peebles, Ohio 45660. For more information, Call Betty at 513-373-2397.

ST. MARY - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 15-18, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School, Barnyard Roundup, will take place on July 15 to 18, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Hall. It is open for grades preschool through 5th grade.



Confirmation

We start the night off with a meal and the VBS program starts at 6:00 p.m. Registration forms are in the narthex on the table; please return them to the collection basket. If you are interested in helping or have more questions, please call Michelle Salyer at 937-840-9932 or email to stmarycre119@gmail.com.



FATHER'S DAY IN HONOR OF / IN MEMORY OF

Marvin Simon, John Hovan Sr., Don Walters, John Keating, Sam Williams, Jack Keating, Harold Shultz, David Walters, Vic deMilliano, Ray deMilliano, Chris deMilliano, Alan

deMilliano, Timothy Blanchard, Dustin Blanchard, Drew Hastings, Donald Markland, Edward Singer, Clayton Vanzant, Russell Salyer, Michael Cowdrey, Gary Huff, Carl Huff Jr., Robert Kleinhenz, Arnold Lafferty, Richard Pavey, Alan J. Lehn, John W. Powers, Frank Rehark, Jerome Winner, Jim Winner, David Tamborski, George Trumble, Chris Tamborski, Joseph Moses Jr., Everett (Shorty) Wright, Alvin Cole, Stanley Feder, Ted Combs, George Wehner, Charl Moyer, Joe Butler, Lewis Behm, Dale Kerchinske, Art Kerchinske, Alvin Paetzel

ATTEND THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS JULY 17-21 IN INDIANAPOLIS – Join thousands of fellow disciples from across the U.S. and beyond for this event, which will include prayer, workshops, concerts, and more. The National Congress is a centerpiece of the multi-year Eucharistic Revival initiated and led by the U.S. Catholic Bishops. Groups or individuals may register for the entire event or for just a day. For more information, go to https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/ JOIN IN THE EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE COMING TO ARCHDIOCESE JULY 1-8 – The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage is coming through the Archdiocese of Cincinnati July 1-8 on its way to Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress. Along the route, several parishes will be offering special opportunities for prayer and fellowship. On July 6, Archbishop Schnurr will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Eucharistic Procession through downtown Cincinnati and Eucharistic Festival on Fountain Square. Please plan to participate in this wonderful event! Go to www.JesusIsHere2024.org for information.

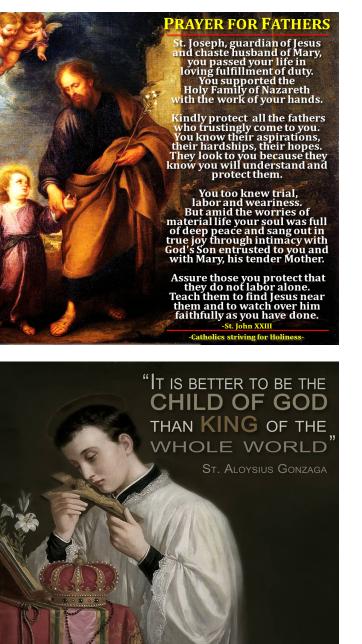
SVDP ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

p.m. Please, no electronics.

119 E. Walnut Street, Hillsboro will be: Friday, July 26, 2024: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 27, 2024: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.



Drop-off days at 119 E. Walnut Street: Wednesday, *Neighbors helping neighbors*. July 24th from 5:00-8:00 p.m.; Thursday, July 25th from 9:00 a.m.-1:00



Questions/Requests: Call Kristy Bockrath at 937-361-6590 or email krbockr@icloud.com. If you cannot attend as scheduled, please find a substitute.

ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH	SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND – 3:30 P.M. MASS	SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD – NOON MASS
SACRISTAN	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
MINISTERS OF THE WORD	Margaret Mobley	Gary Frank
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Debbie Kennedy Cathy Givens Eric Givens	Dan Allison Teresa Allison Vicki Brock
SERVERS	Volunteer Needed	Dan Allison
COUNTERS		Cory T. / Smoke B.

SERMON ON MARK 4:26-34

See if you can solve this riddle:

"What is stronger than God, more evil than the devil, poor people have it, rich people don't need it, and if you eat it, you'll die?"

I could frustrate you by delaying the answer till next week's sermon, but I won't do that. The answer is "nothing."

Jesus liked to teach the people by using parables which is a form of riddles. A riddle is a question or story that challenges you to look beyond the words for a deeper meaning. Jesus liked parables so much He spoke 40 of them, using earthly stories to teach Heavenly truths. A great theologian, Helmut Thielke, said Jesus used parables not only to reveal the Kingdom of God but also to reveal what the Kingdom of God does for you.

For example, with the parable of the mustard seed, Jesus reveals the Kingdom of God started very small with only Him and a band of twelve very flawed Apostles. Then the Holy Spirit descended upon them with power from on high. The tongues of fire that lit that upper room now lights God's Kingdom to the ends of the earth. The Kingdom is filled with billions of people who can "come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most. (Hebrews 4:16)

Like any good riddle there is another meaning in the mustard seed revealing something special about you. Jesus is saying any one in His Kingdom that has faith as tiny as a mustard seed can do great things for God.

For 27 years at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, I prayed over sick children all day, spreading the seed of God's healing power over them. My faith told me to put them in God's Hands.

I was most moved when I prayed over the little babies in the incubators. Some were so tiny they could fit into the palm of your hand. It saddened me that at only a few weeks old they were struggling to survive.

My ministry of prayer was quiet, no drama, and very ordinary like a seed growing in the ground. There was this nurse in the Newborn ICU who befriended me. She would watch me pray daily over the children. One day she asked me, "Fr. Mike, you never seem down or upset. Does it ever bother you to see so many sick babies, day after day?" I answered, "My faith gets me through. If these babies can believe in life, I can believe in God who gave them life." She replied, "It's hard to believe in a God who allows such suffering."

From time to time this nurse would ask me questions about God, the Bible and prayer. Then one day a special thing happened.

I was saying Mass in the Hospital Chapel. In the pew sat my nurse friend. She never came to the Mass before. Then she walks up to receive Holy Communion. I was flabbergasted. She never seemed to be interested in going to church or belonging to any particular religion. I gave her Communion. She smiled as she saw the puzzled look on my face.

When the service ended, I hurried to see her. "I thought you weren't into religion or that church-going stuff." She laughed and said, "Shocked you, didn't I? At Easter I joined the Catholic Church. I didn't tell you so I could surprise you." I had to ask, "Why did you join the church?" She answered, "Your faith. I saw for years how your faith brought you peace. I wanted that for myself."

The mustard seed of one person's faith can do great things for God. The power of one person's prayer can bring miracles also.

For years she tried to have a baby but could not. I prayed over her the prayer of St. Gerard for fertility. She had twins. The husband approached me and pleaded, "Father, please don't do that again, but I am grateful."

I close with a riddle: "What has dimples and a nose, ten fingers and ten toes, sweet fat little cheeks, and in nine months you will meet?" The answer starts with a "B"...Bills! Blessings, too.

