

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, January 30, 2021

4:00 PM Saint Patrick Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Sunday, January 31, 2021

10:00 AM Barry D. Cordell-Michael and Tracy Brady

Tuesday, February 2, 2021, 2021

8:00 AM Nancy Jo Leonard-Nancy L. Leonard

Thursday, February 4, 2021

**6:15 PM Lori Zeller-Chriss McCarthy
Confession/Adoration**

Saturday, February 6, 2021

4:00 PM Lori Zeller-Chriss McCarthy

Sunday, February 7, 2021

10:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Mass Attendances: Jan 23 & 24 , 2021—235

Parish Offering: Jan 23 and 24, 2021

Sunday Offering	\$4,379.00
Improvement Fund	\$ 191.00
Assessment	\$ 61.00
Christmas	\$ 50.00
Cost of Envelopes	\$ 34.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$4,715.00

Your parish thanks you for giving your time and devotion to our parish. May our dear Lord bless you as you serve.

February Ministry See insert

January 31, 2021, there will be a second collection for Saint Vincent de Paul.

February 17, 202, there will be the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe (CCEE).

2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please join with Catholics in every parish throughout our archdiocese who are standing with local, Catholic ministries serving people right here in our communities. These ministries depend on our help each year! You can mail your pledge card or bring it to Mass next weekend . For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit www.AOCstewardship.org. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

**7:00 AM (RCIA Rm) Catholic Men's Gp
Every Saturday**

YOU'RE INVITED!

Saint Mary of the Woods is putting on their 24th annual Valentine Dinner on February 13th. Please check out the insert for details. The 2021 Dinner will be modified to meet public health orders. There will be a reduction in tables, seats, and total number of maximum attendees. These reductions will afford us the ability to properly Social Distance the tables; and maintain a maximum of eight (8) persons per table. Likewise, there will be no self-service buffet; as plans are being developed to serve attendees at their respective tables. Please call Saint Mary of the Woods at 937-843-3127 with any questions.

Pastoral Planning

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati is beginning a new phase of planning for the future. The goal is to help our parishes to be 'Beacons of Light' that are vibrant and effective in bringing the Gospel to the world. The planning will also require us to adapt to a projected decline in the number of pastors available to serve our parishes in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. For more details on this process, see the following link:

<https://resources.catholicaoc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Beacons-of-Light-2.pdf>

The Catholic Telegraph Online-For the latest in Catholic news and events on the local, national, and global levels, be sure to visit <http://www.thecatholictelegraph.com>

Bulletins and Calendars can be read online—
St. Patrick Church: www.catholicbellefontaine.org
St. Mary of the Woods:
www.saintmaryofthewood.com

MASS INTENTIONS: Please, fill out the form below and drop in the collection basket or mail to the office. There is a \$5 stipend for each Mass requested. **PLEASE, PRINT!**

Intention: _____

Offered by: _____

Date requested: _____

Mass requested: _____

We will make every attempt to get them on the date you request; however, funerals, prior requests and other events may prevent this, a specified date needs a 3-week notice to meet publication deadlines, first-come, first-served.

BECAUSE OF THE HIGH DEMAND FOR "REQUEST FOR INTENTIONS" AND FATHER SHAWN'S SCHEDULE WITH TWO PARISHES WE HAVE MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE AFTER TO JULY 2021.

Archbishop Schnurr sent the following letter on 3 Dec 2020

In recent days, we seem to have entered another stage in addressing the global pandemic. While cases rise to new levels, there is also the promise of a vaccine. Both of these issues raise questions and concerns. Of particular concern to many Catholics are various issues related to application of the Church's moral teaching to the development, distribution, and reception of vaccines. I take this opportunity to outline the most important principles.

Any vaccine must be developed in a morally acceptable manner. This means that the development must respect all human life, created in the image and likeness of God, from conception to natural death. We know that cell lines derived from babies aborted many decades ago have been used and, in some cases, continue to be used at various stages of development of some vaccines. Taking innocent human life to harvest such cells and create cell lines which can be scientifically propagated over time is morally unacceptable. However, "as for the question of the vaccines that used or may have used cells coming from voluntarily aborted fetuses in their preparation, it must be specified that the 'wrong' in the moral sense lies in the actions, not in the vaccines or the material itself" (Note on Italian Vaccine Issue of the Pontifical Academy for Life, July 31, 2017). The Academy concludes, "The technical characteristics of the production of the vaccines most commonly used in childhood lead us to exclude that there is a morally relevant cooperation between those who use these vaccines today and the practice of voluntary abortion. Hence, we believe that all clinically recommended vaccinations can be used with a clear conscience and that the use of such vaccines does not signify some sort of cooperation with voluntary abortion."

Catholics are obliged to advocate for vaccine development to be done in a morally acceptable manner throughout every stage. This remains true even when, for the common good and lack of an available alternative, we feel compelled to receive a vaccine, the production of which is in some way linked to morally unacceptable means.

The vaccines developed by Moderna and Pfizer to combat COVID-19 may be taken without moral reservations. The Chairmen of the US Bishops' doctrine and pro-life committees said in a November 23, 2020, statement that it is not immoral to be vaccinated with the vaccines being developed by Moderna and Pfizer. They went on to say in the statement, "Neither the Pfizer nor the Moderna vaccine involved the use of cell lines that originated in fetal tissue taken from the body of an aborted baby at any level of design, development, or production... They are not completely free from any connection to abortion, however, as both Pfizer and Moderna made use of a tainted cell line for one of the confirmatory lab tests of their products.

There is thus a connection, but it is relatively remote." The statement goes on to reference Vatican documents relevant to this issue from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and the Pontifical Academy for Life. They conclude by stating, "These documents all point to the immorality of using tissue taken from an aborted child for creating cell lines. They also make distinctions in terms of the moral responsibility of the various actors involved, from those involved in designing and producing a vaccine to those receiving the vaccine. Most importantly they all make it clear that, at the level of the recipient, it is morally permissible to accept vaccination when there are no alternatives and there is a serious health risk."

Catholics are also obliged to advocate for the just distribution of a vaccine so that those most vulnerable may have access. It is often the communities which are poor and without adequate resources that are hit hardest by disease due to lack of financial wherewithal (including insurance) or medical resources. Any distribution plan must take this disparity into account and correct for it.

As the situation continues to unfold and more information becomes available the bishops and Catholic medical ethics experts will continue to monitor and evaluate the morality of options available to us. We pray that the Lord will guide us as we strive for the common good of all in limiting the spread of serious disease.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati

THIS WEEKS SCRIPTURE READING:

Mon., Feb 1: Heb 11:32-40 Ps 31:20-24 Mk 5:1-20
Tues., Feb 2: Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7-10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40
Weds., Feb 3: Heb 12:4-7,11-15 Ps 103:1-2,13-14,17-18a Mk 6:1-6
Thurs., Feb 4: Heb 12:18-19,21-24 Ps 48:2-4,9-11 Mk 6:7-13
Fri., Feb 5: Heb 13:1-8 Ps 27:1,3,5,8b-9c Mk 6:14-29
Sat., Feb 6: Heb 13:15-17,20-21 Ps 23:1-6 Mk 6:30-34



Jb 7:1-4,6-7
Ps 147:1-6
1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23
Mk 1:29-39

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US: The Rosary will be recited: Saturday at 3:30 pm and Sunday at 9:15 am before the Mass. Volunteers are needed. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Parish Prayer Line: Tammy Bauer, 937.441.0645

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: If you are a registered parishioner who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the office.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (937. 592.9455)
Hours: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Tuesday & Thursday;
5:00-7:00 pm, Wednesday. Dates: Jan 19,20,21, 2021
Money Spent: \$290.00 Clients: 21
Things we need: toilet paper, egg noodles. Thank you