#### MASS INTENTIONS/LITURGIES

FEBRUARY 3-11, 2024

Saturday, February 3 | 4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Mike Meeker by Shirley Meeker

6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

Mitchell Hoying by Scott & Marge Hoying

Sunday, February 4 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Robert Wallace by Mike & Susie Wallace

10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners

Tuesday, February 6 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Harold Dipple by Carol & Mike Maze

Wednesday, February 7 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Ed Stroub by Jim & Charity Thiel

Thursday, February 8 | 6:15 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

6:45 p.m. Adoration/Confession

Fr. James Trick by George Charbel

Friday, February 9 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

8:45 a.m. Confession

Richard & Carolyn Schornak by George Charbel

Saturday, February 10 | 3:00 p.m. Confession (ST. PAT)

4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners

6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

Joanne Maag by Katie Verhoff

Sunday, February 11 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Joseph Rizzo by Joe & Phyllis Rizzo

10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Rocco Morando by Julia & Reagan Kennedy

#### YOUR TITHE TO GOD

WEEK OF JANUARY 27/28	S	T. MARY	ST	. PATRICK
MASS COUNT:		264		348
SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$	3,149.50	\$	4,228.00
ONLINE COLLECTION:	\$	915.00	\$	862.07
OTHER COLLECTIONS:				
BUILDING IMPROVEMENT:	\$	550.00	\$	110.00
ARCHDIOCESE ASSESSMENT:			\$	145.00
OTHER:	\$	50.00	\$	85.00
TOTAL TITHING:	\$	4,664.50	\$	5,430.07

Welcome Whether you recently moved here or are just visiting, we are happy that you are here with us! If you would like to join one of our parishes, please contact the Parish Office for a registration form.

champaigncatholics.org saintmaryofthewoods.com catholicbellefontaine.org

#### **LITURGICAL MINISTERS** FEBRUARY 10/11, 2024

#### ST. MARY OF THE WOODS

6:00 P.M. SATURDAY

SERVERS: Eli Baughman, Isaac Dillon, Henry Dillon

READER: David Goff
USHERS: Volunteers
CANTORS: Winners
SACRISTAN: Suzi Corwin

8:00 A.M. SUNDAY

SERVERS: Caleb Altstaetter, Ezra Winner,

Lincoln Nielsen

**READER:** Brandi Altstaetter

**EEM:** Jim Thiel

USHERS: Phil Altstaetter, Shawn Bihn,

Robert Stroebel, Dave Shoffner

**CANTOR:** Ashley Roberts **SACRISTAN:** Laurie Stroebel

#### ST. PATRICK

4:00 P.M. SATURDAY

SERVERS: Matthew Dearwester,

Naomi Dearwester, Olivia Dearwester

**READERS:** Rose Lyons, Wendy Miller

EEM: Sharon Hess

10:00 A.M. SUNDAY

SERVERS: Antonio Avalos, Brenden Eckstein,

Patrick Stolly

**READERS:** Steve Oder, Catherine Oder

**EEM:** Sharon Traul

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you would like to place an announcement in this bulletin, or if there is something currently not in the bulletin that you would like to see, please email Tracy McHugh at the Church Office at catholicbellefontaine@gmail.com.

Please note that Father Landenwitch must approve any and all announcement inserts and that announcements must be submitted on Monday.

#### **FEMININE ASCETICISM**

Receptivity, Identity, and Union - Saturday, March 9, 2024, 9:00-11:00 a.m., followed by 11:00 a.m. Mass and a light lunch (soup and bread) in the Undercroft; St. Mary Catholic Church, 28 Washington Avenue, Urbana, Ohio.

Presentation is by Father Jacob Lindle's older sister, Emma Greve. The presentation is free, but donations to Sycamore House Pregnancy & Family Life Center are appreciated.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

OF FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Sunday: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Psalms 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

First Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Mark 1:29-39

First Kings 8:1-7, 9-13 Monday:

Psalms 132:6-7, 8-10

Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday: First Kings 8:22-23, 27-30

Psalms 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11

Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday: First Kings 10:1-10

Psalms 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40

Mark 7:14-23

Thursday: First Kings 11:4-13

Psalms 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40

Mark 7:24-30

First Kings 11:29-32; 12:19 Friday:

Psalms 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15

Mark 7:31-37

Saturday: First Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34

Psalms 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22

Mark 8:1-10

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 Sunday:

Psalms 32:1-2, 5, 11

First Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Mark 1:40-45



St. Mary, Urbana

8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

St. Patrick, Bellefontaine

7:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE St. Mary of the Woods, **Russells Point** 

7:00 p.m.



February 14th, 2024

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are

binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.



Mary Wischmeyer, longtime parishioner of St. Mary of the Woods and the church secretary for 21 years, is

turning 100 on February 22! Please help make her day special by sending her a card:

Mary Wischmeyer

6999 State Route 366, Huntsville, OH 43324



#### **Public Welcome**



Knights of Columbus

## FISH FR'

Feb. 16th, March 8th, and March 29th. 4:30 to 7:00 PM

St. Mary of the Woods Church Hall, Russels Point OH \$12.00 for Adults & \$6.00 for Kids 10 and under You get baked potato, roll and choice of coleslaw or applesauce plus soft drink or coffee



**Carryout Welcome Homemade Desserts also Available** 



A Percentage of Proceeds go to Local Scholarship Program



#### PRIME RIB DINNER

(Fr. Patrick Blenman will be the Guest Speaker) Friday, February 9th, 2024, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Prime

Rib Dinner in Makley Hall to benefit the Archdiocese of Cincinnati's Seminarians. This Dinner is also in honor of the founder of the "Pennies for Heaven" Dinner, K.C. Steggeman. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and can be purchased after Mass at either SMOW or ST. PAT, or contact Andy King at 937-539-8920 or Tom Lowry at 937-605-1974.



CATHOLIC The Catholic Ministries Appeal ("CMA") is the annual campaign

that supports six local ministries: Our Seminary & Vocations; St. Rita School for the Deaf; Catholic Charities & Social Services: our retired Archdiocesan Priests, Campus, Hospital & Prison Ministries; and New Evangelization programming.

This is Commitment Weekend for the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Pledge cards are available in the pews for your convenience this weekend. If you have already responded by mail or online, or if you brought your completed pledge card to place in the offertory today, thank you! To make a gift online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA.



# LOGAN COUNTY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL SUMMARY:

Parish Council met Tuesday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room at St. Mary of

the Woods with 11 of the 12 members present. Fr. Shawn led us in opening prayer and there were no parishioners present to address the council.

Fr. Shawn emailed PPC members the Beacons Annual Report for our review. Several members brought forward questions about the data and comments in the report and Fr. Shawn thoroughly explained the thought process and reasoning for the answers. As it turns out, Champaign County has made remarkable progress towards the Beacons Goals and is currently further ahead in the process than Logan County. Pending a response from the Archdiocese on questions about financial accounting and geographics, the Logan County Churches should be able to move forward.

Fr. Shawn also updated Council Members on options for a new restroom in the back of Church at St. Pat's, restroom remodeling in the Parish Hall and replacing the clear glass with frosted glass in the Church ceiling lights at St. Mary.

Father gave us his blessing and the meeting concluded at 8:20 p.m. The next meeting will be March 19, 2024, in Makley Hall at St. Patrick. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.



Father, I pray for the souls of my friends and family who have left this world before me. If they are in purgatory, please comfort them and give them hope. And then, in Your infinite mercy, please forgive them of their sins; please cleanse their souls and purify their spirits so that they can come home to You as soon as possible.

I also pray for the friends and family that they left behind. Please comfort them with the knowledge that their loved one is with You or soon will be with You in Your Heavenly Kingdom.

Amen



#### PLEASE JOIN THE MEN'S GROUP FOR: "THAT MAN IS YOU"

Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Makley Hall at St. Pat's. For more information, please contact Andy King at 937-539-8920.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Currently, St. Patrick Church is accepting Mass Intentions for January-February 2025. Please fill out this form and bring it to the church office or drop it into the offertory basket. There is a \$5.00 stipend for each Mass requested. Each family is allowed 12 requests per calendar year. Only three requests may be submitted at one time.

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Intention:	
Offered by:	
Date requested:	
Mass time requested:	
# of Masses you are paying for:	

Every attempt will be made to schedule the date and Mass time requested; however, funerals and prior requests may prevent this.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Currently, St. Mary of the Woods Church is accepting Mass Intentions beginning **April 2024.** Please fill out this form and bring it to the church office or drop it into the offertory basket. There is a \$5.00 stipend for each Mass requested. Each family is allowed 12 requests per calendar year. Only three requests may be submitted at one time.

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#### **ZETEO YOUTH GROUP**

7:00-8:30 p.m.
St. Mary in Urbana (Undercroft)
All high schoolers are invited and welcome.
Meeting dates are as follows:
February 18, 25
March 10, 24
April 7, 21
May 5



### MARY, QUEEN OF ANGELS SACK LUNCH MINISTRY FOR WOMEN

All women are invited to attend the Women's Sack Lunch Ministry at St. Patrick Church, in Makley Hall on Saturday, February 17, from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



### ST. AGATHA - FEBRUARY 5, 2024

St. Agatha, also known as Agatha of Sicily, is one of the most highly venerated virgin martyrs of the Catholic Church. It is believed that she was born around 231 in either Catania or Palermo, Sicily to a rich and noble family.

From her very early years, the notably beautiful Agatha dedicated her life to God. She became a consecrated virgin, a state in life where young women choose to remain celibate and give themselves wholly to Jesus and the Church in a life of prayer and service. That did not stop men from desiring her and making unwanted advances toward her.

However, one of the men who desired Agatha, whose name was Quintianus, because he was of a high diplomatic ranking, thought he could force her to turn away from her vow and force her to marry. His persistent proposals were consistently

spurned by Agatha, so Quintianus, knowing she was a Christian during the persecution of Decius, had her arrested and brought before the judge. He was the Judge.

He expected her to give in to his demands when she was faced with torture and possible death, but she simply reaffirmed her belief in God by praying: "Jesus Christ, Lord of all, you see my heart, you know my desires. Possess all that I am. I am your sheep: make me worthy to overcome the devil." With tears falling from her eyes, she prayed for courage.

To force her to change her mind, Quintianus had her imprisoned – in a brothel. Agatha never lost her confidence in God, even though she suffered a month of assaults and efforts to get her to abandon her vow to God and go against her virtue. Quintianus heard of her calm strength and ordered that she be brought before him once again. During her interrogation, she told him that to be a servant of Jesus Christ was her true freedom.

Enraged, Quintianus sent her off to prison instead of back to the brothel - a move intended to make her even more afraid, but it was probably a great relief to her.

Agatha continued to proclaim Jesus as her Savior, Lord, Life and Hope. Quintianus ordered her to be tortured. He had her stretched on a rack to be torn with iron hooks, burned with torches, and whipped. Noticing Agatha was enduring all the torture with a sense of cheer, he commanded she be subjected to a worse form of torture – this evil man ordered that her breasts be cut off.

He then sent her back to prison with an order of no food or medical attention. But the Lord gave her all the care she needed. He was her Sacred Physician and protector. Agatha had a vision of the apostle, St. Peter, who comforted her and healed her wounds through his prayers.

After four days, Quintianus ignored the miraculous cure of her wounds. He had her stripped naked and rolled over hot coals, which were mixed with sharp shards. When she was returned to prison, Agatha prayed, "Lord, my Creator, you have ever protected me from the cradle; you have taken me from the love of the world, and given me patience to suffer: receive now my soul."