



CHURCHES OF

Holy Family

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Mission Statement

As a parish community, Holy Family and St. Denis Family Parishes are united in our mission to glorify God.

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: (Location D = Denis; HF = Holy Family) Eve: 5:00 p.m. (D) Day: 8:00 a.m. (D) 9:30 a.m. (HF) 11:00 a.m. (D)	Weekdays (except for funerals) 8:00 a.m. (D) Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance) Thursday: 3:00-4:00 p.m. & 7:00-8:00 p.m. (D)
Holy Day Eve: 6:30 p.m. (D) Day: 6:30 a.m. (D) 3:30 p.m. (D) 7:30 p.m. (HF)	Saturday: 3:45-4:45 p.m. (D) Other times by appointment.

Programs and Services:

Prayer Chain, Ginny Moorman	526-4945
Health, Wellness, Grieving, Home Visits	526-4945
Baptismal Program, Joyce Liette	526-9117
"Elizabeth Blessings," Jeanne Turpen	526-4664
Emergency Meals, Kathy Miller	526-3836
Soup and Salad, Rosemary Paulus	526-4232

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Holy Family Church: Intersection of Burns Road and S.R. 185.

St. Denis Church: Corner of Second Street and E. Wood Street.

Sacrament of the Sick

We celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at the first signs of serious illness or weakness, or immediately in case of emergencies. Please call the Rectory.

Communion to the Sick

We bring communion to the sick. Please call the Rectory to schedule Sunday communion in your home.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 12:00 noon

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Pregnancy Help Center

937-547-1112

Maintenance Engineer

Louis J. Huber

Baptisms

We usually baptize on Sundays, at Mass or after Mass, by appointment (526-4945).

Marriages

We ask you to contact a Pastor at least eight months in advance so that we can help you prepare for marriage.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Jane Pierron (526-4002)

A process for looking at the Catholic Church to see if God has called the person to the Catholic Church and a process for entering the Catholic Church.

Newcomers Welcome!

We invite you to register in the parish as soon as possible. You may do so after Mass or by phone (526-4945).

October 12, 2008: TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, October 12: Twenty-Eighth (Catechetical Sunday)

Pork Loin dinners at K of C Hall (Right to Life)
CCD Teachers' Recognition and Lunch

Monday, October 13: Weekday

Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Luke 11:29-32

8:00 a.m. No Mass (D): Communion Liturgy (Deacon Jack)
12:00 Noon Pray Hour at Holy Family
3:15-4:15 CCD (D) grades 1-6
7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting (D) Church basement

Tuesday, October 14: Weekday

Galatians 5:1-6; Luke 11:37-41

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Dolores Henry
7:00 p.m. Confirmation parents meeting (D)
7:30 p.m. Bible Study (Kathy Wood's Home)

Wednesday, October 15: St. Teresa of Jesus

Galatians 5:18-25; Luke 11:42-46

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Bernard Bruns
5:00-6:30 Community Supper (Lutheran Church)
7:00 p.m. RCIA (D) Rectory
7:00-8:00 CCD (D) grades 7-12; (HF) 1-12

Thursday, October 16: Weekday

Ephesians 1:1-10; Luke 11:47-54

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Pete Ecabert Family
8:45-8:30 p.m. Exposition (Benediction at 8:30 p.m.)
3:00-4:00 & 7:00-8:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance

Friday, October 17: St. Ignatius of Antioch

Ephesians 1:11-14; Luke 12:1-7

6:30 a.m. Communion Liturgy (D)
8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Margaret and Ed Pohl

Saturday, October 18: St. Luke

2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9

3:45-4:45 Sacrament of Penance (D)
5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Jacque Barga (Baptism at Mass)

Sunday, October 19: Twenty-Ninth (Mission Sunday)

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Dorvan & Martha Philpot (60th Anniv.)
1:00 p.m. Baptismal Program (D)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

How does thanksgiving work in your personal spirituality? What elements of Christian faith do you see as most basic? The Readings: Isaiah 45:4-6; Psalm 96; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21.

BAPTISM

The next pre-baptismal program for new or expectant parents will take place on October 19 at 1:00 p.m. If you want a baptism in November or December, please attend the October program, as the next program will happen in January. Call the office to register.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Marriage Encounter, (November 7-9 at Maria Stein, OH) can enhance your marriage. Please call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00.
Retrouvaille (French for Rediscovery) can help you save your marriage. Please call 1-800-470-2230 for more information.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Call 937-492-4449 for more information. Call 513-58870080 or email pfirstine@cinci.rr.com for more information.

REST IN PEACE

Michael Wagaman died and received Christian burial on October 2. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS October 19, 2008

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday: October 18

Ushers: Group 2; *Lector:* Jane Pierron

Eucharist: Christine Borchers, Kate Bruns, Cody Bruns (P); Danielle Condon, John Davis, Brittany Drees, Phyllis Guillozet, Michael Heft, Cheryl Huelskamp, Dave Huelskamp, Betty Jutte
Servers: Eric Huelskamp, Zachary Grilliot, Andrew Kramer
Gifts: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Sunday, October 19

Ushers: Group 6; *Lector:* Roberta Mangen
Eucharist: Jerry Wilker, Cyndi Bey, Ann Borchers (P); Lauren Subler, Kim Borchers, Lil Borchers, Orville Borchers, Mary Ann Gump, Brittany Reed, Nicholas Harman, John Harman
Servers: Adam Borchers, Joshua Borchers, volunteer
Gifts: Paul and Mary Jean Meyer

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Deacon Jack

Ushers: Brad Bruns and Mark Stucke; *Lector:* Bob Mayo
Eucharist: Doris Goettemoeller (P), Bill Goettemoeller and Deacon Jack (C); *Servers:* Josh and Neil Didier and Cierra Todd
Gifts: Delbert and Janice Dirksen Family

Cleaning: Alma May, Sharon Stammen, Marilyn Bergman

11:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 12; *Lector:* Emily Pitsenbarger
Eucharist: Kristen Schulte, Matt Stover, Janet Turner (P); Russ Beisner, Elaine Bohman, Nicholas Eilerman, Joe Gigandet, Bob Goubeaux, Doris Goubeaux, Brian Griesdorn, Jean Grieshop
Servers: Kirstie Hartzell, Laura Paulus, Joshua Paulus
Gifts: Anna Cruz Family

VOCATIONS

You are invited to a rich feast. Don't ignore the invitation. Perhaps you are called to service through ordained ministry or the consecrated life. Trust that you will receive the grace you need. (Matthew 22:1-14)

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Read food labels carefully to determine serving sizes.
Mind: Act as if it were impossible to fail. **Spirit:** The way of truth leads to a road of peace with God and self.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blood Pressure Screening: this weekend after all the Masses.
Trinity Lutheran Church: The Christian rock band, A New Creation, will put on a concert today at 4:30 p.m. No cost but a free-will donation will be taken.

Farmers Market on village square: October 18, 9:00 a.m.

World Mission Sunday: Next Sunday, Pope Benedict XVI calls every Catholic in the world to celebrate our vocation to be missionaries. All of the collection will go to the annual World Mission Appeal. Only envelopes with the Parish name will stay in the parish.

Daughters of Isabella: No D of I meeting in October.

Election Day Supper: Versailles Christian Church, 4:00-8:00 p.m. in their dining hall on Tuesday, November 4.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Erin Berger and Michael Guendelsberger who were married here yesterday. Nicole Zumberger and Nicolas Dirksen will marry at St. Francis, Cranberry Prairie on October 18. David and Janet Zumberger and Mark and Susan Voisard will celebrate twenty-five years of marriage on October 15. Dorvan and Martha Philpot will celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary at the 11:00 Mass next Sunday. Congratulations to all.

FATHER DAVE

Once a month I celebrate Mass for the 178th Wing of the Ohio Air National Guard in Springfield. To meet the needs of our service men and women better, I have started celebrating Mass at 12:30. To enable me to do this Father Glen Perin has taken my place at the 11:00 Masses the last two months. He has agreed to continue doing this. It will happen next on November 2. I shall try to alert you in the bulletin the week before.

LITURGY

In about eighteen months, we shall start using a new translation for the ordinary parts of the Mass. Between now and then, I hope to run a series of articles explaining the changes. I shall start with the response to the greeting, "The Lord be with you". The response in Latin refers to the gift of the Spirit given ordained bishops, priests and deacons at their ordination. The current translation bypasses this reference. The newer translation, "And with your spirit", directly refers to this gift of the Spirit. Some have wondered why lay people do not use this greeting when they preside at communion services and other prayer services. They do not use it, because the response refers to a gift of the Spirit that lay people have not received. Lay people have received other gifts, but since the response refers to the gift given in ordination, they do not use this greeting and response.

COMMUNITY SUPPER – ALL WELCOME
Every Wednesday. 5:00-6:30
At Trinity Lutheran Church
We cook next on October 15.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Harvest of Caring Celebration: The Catholic Social Services' Northern Office is sponsoring a dinner and silent auction on Saturday, October 18, 6:00 p.m. at Stillwater Riviera Club. Call Kim Custenborder at 526-3469 for reservations/more information.

RIGHT TO LIFE

Pork Loin Dinner, today, 11-1:00 p.m. at K of C Hall to benefit the Darke Co. Right to Life. Call 526-3324 or 419-582-4060 for tickets. Cost: \$6.00

OCTOBER COUNT

We ask the ushers to discreetly take the attendance at all Masses in October.

POLITICS AND THE ELECTION

No one can escape from politics. By our catholic faith, we must enter the political arena because we cannot divorce our faith in God from our daily lives. The Church tries to educate us so that we can conscientiously make choices. For this reason, the Church has spoken out on social issues. We gave you an insert with some issues last week. We have more this week and next week. If you read these and analyze the positions taken by candidates, you should find that no candidate completely follows the teaching of the Church. You can conscientiously vote for any candidate.

When we have a healthy economy, the number of abortions declines. When we have a weak economy, the number goes up. The economy, more that laws, moves people towards abortion.

WELCOME

We welcome all here, whether longtime residents or newly-arrived, whether Catholic or not, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have a comment or would like to register or give a change of address, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____
 ZIP: _____ Phone: _____



Go out to the thoroughfares,
 and invite everyone you can
 find to the wedding feast.

COLLECTION
October 5, 2008

Holy Family	
Envelopes (47)	\$ 656.00
Loose (43)	\$ 194.05
Total	\$ 850.05
Respect Life	\$ 195.00
St Denis	
Envelopes (200)	\$ 2545.00
Loose (170)	\$ 750.30
Total	\$ 3295.30
Respect Life	\$ 568.00

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MANY THANKS

??? **YOUTH MINISTRY** ???

Fall Retreat: We are all at Fall Retreat this weekend. Thanks to all for their prayers and support.

Fall Pancake Breakfast: The Fall Pancake Breakfast will be Sunday, November 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. Mark your calendars and come on down for a great breakfast.

Junior High Youth Leaders Meeting: The first Junior High Youth Leaders meeting will be Monday, October 20, 7:00 p.m., in the St. Denis church basement. All junior high youth leaders should attend.

Subs for Lunch: Our first subs for lunch will be Monday, October 27 in the St. Denis church basement.

CCD NEWS

When St. Denis students come to church for CCD they may not leave the grounds to go any place else. We have learned that some of our Monday students have gone uptown in going from school to CCD. We have explained to them that we may not allow this since the church has legal responsibility for them at this time. You, their parents, expect them to come straight to CCD and we at church expect them to come straight to CCD. The schools have released the students only so that they can walk to church for religious instruction; otherwise the students have to take the bus. We want to alert you parents as to the situation. If you want to allow your students to stop on the way to CCD, we and the school need written permission from you. We provide cheese or peanut crackers and water before class.

The same holds for Wednesday CCD. Once the students enter the premises of church, we cannot allow them to leave. We have snacks available for them if they need food before class.

Today at the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses we shall commission and bless our teachers and introduce them to you.

Meeting for parents of Ninth Graders: a meeting Tuesday, October 14 at St Denis Church from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. (Confirmation)

We need a teacher for Grade 6 and 10 at St Denis. Please call Linda at the CCD office at 526-3957.

SERVERS, DISTRIBUTORS, LECTORS AND MUSICIAN

Every year at this time, we welcome new people into serving Mass (Grades 6-12 and adult), giving out Holy Communion, and proclaiming the Sacred Scriptures at Mass (Grades 8-12 and adult) and leading the music at Mass. For the choir, please see Bob after the 8:00 Mass. Please fill out form below and put in the collection basket or call the office at 526-4945.

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Please consider me or someone else for training as a:
 Eucharistic Minister: _____
 Lector: _____
 Server: _____
 Mass Time () 5:00 p.m. () 8:00 a.m. () 9:30 a.m. () 11:00 a.m.

CANDIDATE ISSUES [10122008] & QUESTIONS ELECTION 2008

IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, PART III OF V

HUNGER

Food, like life itself, is a basic human right. The rising costs of food, fuel and medicine coupled with high unemployment have led to increased hunger here and abroad.

Ohio food banks, pantries and emergency feeding programs are experiencing an overall shortage in food resources due to higher demand and declining donations. In any given week, 207,700 different Ohioans receive emergency food assistance. More than forty percent of persons in food lines across the state are the *working poor*. Throughout the world statistics show that 35,000 persons die of hunger and its consequences every day.

What are the candidate's plans for addressing hunger here and abroad?

IMMIGRANTS

The Gospel calls us to welcome immigrants with compassion and hopeful expectation. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matt. 25:35). Ohio has a large number of Hispanic immigrant workers recruited by businesses to labor year round in Ohio industries. Many are undocumented.

We believe that current federal immigration law is unjust, unnecessarily restrictive and fails to properly balance the rights of immigrant workers and their families with the state's right to control its borders. We support comprehensive reforms at the national level.

Ohio should show judicious restraint in pursuing state enforcement legislation while important debate over changes in the law continues at the federal level. Proposed state legislation declaring English as the official language is unnecessary and void of additional resources to help immigrants learn English.

Where does the candidate stand on support for documented and undocumented immigrants?

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

We believe that the family is the basic cell of human society. Marriage ought to be protected as a lifelong commitment between a man and a woman and our laws should reflect this principle. Policies related to the definition of marriage, taxes, the workplace, divorce, and welfare should be designed to help families stay together and to reward responsibility and sacrifice for children.

Where does the candidate stand on protecting and strengthening marriage and family life?

PAYDAY LENDING

In June 2008 reform legislation was enacted in Ohio that eliminates the current payday loan product. The Short-term Loan Act that limits annual interest rates at 28% replaces it. Efforts are underway by payday owners to place a referendum on the November 2008 ballot to repeal this important reform.

Many Ohioans are trapped in a cycle of payday loan debts. The upfront fees charged to take out two-week loans are typically \$15.00 per \$100.00. Studies indicated that the typical Ohio borrower took out between eight to twelve of these loans per year. The cumulative effect of these multi loans resulted in insurmountable debt for too many people. When fees were compared to an annualized interest rate, they amounted to a very troubling 391%.

In the teachings of our faith we have many warnings about usury and exploitation of people. Lending practices that, intentionally or unintentionally, take unfair advantage of one's desperate circumstances are unjust.

Where does the candidate stand on retaining the recently enacted Ohio payday lending reforms?

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The Catholic Conference of Ohio is committed to working for greater justice and inclusion for people who live with physical, intellectual, sensory and emotional disabilities.

We call upon people of good will to reexamine their attitudes toward people with disabilities and promote their well-being and integration into the Christian community and society. We urge the defense of the right to life and other rights for people with disabilities including the right to equal opportunity in education, in employment, in housing, and in health care, as well as the right to free access to public accommodations, facilities and services.

Ohio is considering the creation of a special education scholarship that could be utilized at chartered non-public schools and with other private providers.

Where does the candidate stand on issues related to persons with disabilities?

CANDIDATE ISSUES [10122008] & QUESTIONS ELECTION 2008

IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, PART IV OF V

PEACE

The Church is called to be an instrument of peace in the world. Peace is both a gift of God and a human work.

The Christian tradition possesses two ways to address conflict: non-violence and just war. Nonviolence consists of a commitment to resist injustice and public evil, with means other than force. The just war tradition begins with a strong presumption against the use of force and then establishes the conditions when this presumption may be overcome for the sake of preserving the kind of peace that protects human dignity and human rights.

Lethal force may be used only if all of the following criteria are met. *Just cause* – the damage inflicted by the aggressor on the nation or community of nations is lasting, grave and certain. *Legitimate authority* – only legitimate public authority may use deadly force or wage war. *Comparative justice* – the injustice suffered by one party must significantly outweigh that suffered by the other. *Right intention* – force may be used only in a truly just cause and solely for that purpose. *Probability of success* – arms may not be used in a futile cause or in a case where disproportionate measures are required to achieve success. *Proportionately* – the use of arms may not produce disorders greater than the evils to be eliminated. *Last resort* – force may be used only after all peaceful alternatives have been exhausted. The conduct of hostilities once initiated must be evaluated constantly to ensure noncombatant immunity, no disproportionate collateral damage to civilian life or property and the continuing intention to restore peace with justice.

The U.S. Bishops raised concerns about whether the war in Iraq meets such criteria. The Bishops have urged a responsible transition in Iraq that will ensure local control, freedom and peace in the country.

Other situations in the world that require due regard involve the Israel-Palestine conflict and the ongoing crisis in Darfur. The Church has been an advocate for diplomatic and multinational remedies to these conflicts. The Church has condemned the arms trade and the use of antipersonnel landmines that continue killing even after hostilities have stopped.

What are the candidate's plans for a responsible transition in Iraq? Where does the candidate stand on issues related to peace?

POVERTY

Poverty and racism continue to undermine our nation's most basic promise of liberty and justice for all. More than one million Ohioans (13%) are impoverished. One in six children live in poverty. The majority of Ohio

families in poverty in 2007 were employed in low paying jobs. These "working poor," especially if they were persons of color, were among the most affected by poverty. African Americans, Latino Americans, and Native Americans are about three times as likely to live in poverty as are whites. Recent studies show that Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo and Columbus have some of the highest poverty rates in the nation.

The needs of the poor and vulnerable members of our society must become a high priority within the state budget and throughout public policy. The Catholic Conference of Ohio is a partner in the Catholic Charities USA nationwide campaign to reduce poverty in half by the year 2020.

Where does the candidate stand on providing assistance and services to the poor and vulnerable members of our society? What are the candidate's plans for reducing the Ohio poverty rate in half by the year 2020?

PRISON MINISTRY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Catholic Conference of Ohio supports the redirection of public resources towards programs designed to rehabilitate and reintegrate ex-offenders back into society. Government should prioritize the funding of programs aimed at crime prevention, rehabilitation, education, substance abuse treatment, probation, parole, and reintegration.

Each diocese in Ohio has a coordinator for prison ministry. Many persons- priests, deacons, women religious and lay volunteers- provide services to inmates in Ohio state institutions. Many family members of inmates also receive outreach. Increased attention is being given to reentry ministries.

Where does the candidate stand on issues related to reentry and criminal justice reforms?

RACISM

The heart of the race question is moral and religious. The existence of racial intolerance, discrimination, and privilege is absolutely irreconcilable with Christian faith and belief. Racism fractures the unity of the human family, violates the human rights of individuals and groups, and mocks the God-given equal dignity of human beings.

Poverty and racial injustice are the results of human agency. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Charities USA are calling upon Catholics and all people of good will to confront racial injustice and inequality. A renewed commitment to racial justice is needed, especially in the areas of housing, education, employment, immigration, criminal justice, and public assistance.

Where does the candidate stand on the issues related to racism?