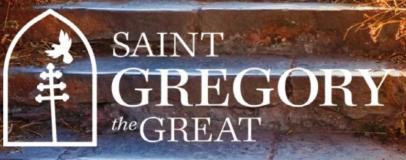
"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty."

**Revelation 1:8** 



November 24, 2024 stgregorythegreatparish.org GUARDIAN ANGELS | IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY | ST. JOHN FISHER

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## INFORMATION

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, November 25: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4 (503)

7:30 am (GA) Beckie Kaminski, by Paul Feie

- 12 pm (IHM) \* Susan Ochsner, by the Bove Family
  - ★ Eileen Rowe, by John & Melinda Scheper
  - \* Richard Thieken, by George & Pat Brinkmoeller
  - $\bigstar$  Marilyn Hertlein, by Ned & Donna Wenstrup
  - 🕈 Kay Kelly, by Jean Ann Sheeran
  - ✤ Bob Koesters, by Marty & Barb Sexton

#### Tuesday, November 26: Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11 (504)

- 7:30 am (GA) \* Jaye Yorio, by Tom & Mary Jo Wiedemann
- 8:15 am (GA) 🛧 Chris Smith, by Joe & Frankie Brinkman
- 12 pm (SJF) 👌 Jim Van Flandern, by Aileen Van Flandern

#### Wednesday, November 27: Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19 (505)

- 7:30 am (GA) 🕇 Mark Schaffield, by Denny & Maggie
- 12 pm (IHM) 🕇 Diane Malloni, by Joseph Malloni
  - $\ensuremath{\bigstar}$  Patrick & Judith Denicola, by the Granlund Family
  - st Joan Harmeier, by Judy Chandler
  - $\bigstar$  Michael Anderson, by Garrett & Mimi Frey
  - $\bigstar$  Bill Tekulve, by Pat Riehle
  - \* Robert & Therese Seither, by Chuck & Charlotte Thompson

## Thursday, November 28: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28 (506)

9 am (IHM) St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes

#### Friday, November 29: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33 (507)

7:30 am (GA)	🕈 Marilyn Mohr, by Mary Ellen Johnson
12 pm (IHM)	🕈 Teresa Gasbarro, by Eugene & Rosanna Ardine

#### Saturday, November 30: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22 (684)

8:15 am (IHM)	⁺Ralph & Antoinette Dafermo, by Angie George
3:30 pm (GA)	⁺ John & Anne Bukovic, by Joann
	🛧 Janet Embry, by Joann Wess
5 pm (IHM)	st Thomas B. Scheper, by the Scheper Family

#### Sunday, December 1: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36 (3)

8 am (GA)	✤ Tony Linz, by Kathy McGonegle
9 am (SJF)	★ Andrew T. Fogarty, by Susan Thatcher
9:30 am (IHM)	* Bob & Terry Seither, by Ed & Marge English
10 am (GA)	★ Maria Ngyen, by Tom & Amy Smith
11 am (SJF)	Liz Hoxby, by Aileen Van Flandern
11:30 am (IHM)	≁ Donna La Villa, by Dorothy Smith
1:30 pm (IHM)	St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes
5:30 pm (IHM)	★ Sean Hannon, by Dick & Marilyn Cozzi

### Thanksgiving Day Mass · · · 🧚

The St. Gregory the Great Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary at 9 am on November 28. This is an opportunity for us to come together as a Family of Parishes in a similar way as we come together with our own families and loved ones. All are invited to bring an item from their Thanksgiving meal to be blessed.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

**We ask that you pray for our sick:** Joe Johnson, John Kushner, Sandy Lawrence, Mary Masminster, Annie McInnis, Sandy Register, Mary Rettig, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr, Ron Trabish, Brad Veldkamp

And remember in your prayers those who have recently passed and their families: Joan Farmer, Michael Fries, Carol Marchand, Paul Miller, Carol Wetzel, Edward Williams

#### Welcome to St. Gregory the Great!

We are so glad you're here and encourage

you to register as a parishioner. To visit our

website, scan the QR code or visit stgregorythegreatparish.org.

Welcome to our new parishioners!

Michael & Kimberlee Kleshock



# Reflections & Ryminations... by Fr. Steve Angi

### We are life-long disciples, responding to the mission that we are called for more.

In our St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes and in Families of Parishes throughout the Archdiocese, we celebrate not only the Solemnity of Christ our Lord, King of the Universe, today but also Together Sunday when we welcome our guests and those visiting us for the first time or those who have been away and have returned. If this is your first time here or your one-hundred-and-first time; we are glad you are here. If you carry the weight of a weary world on your shoulders, or you entered through the doors with a song in your heart and a skip in your step; we are glad you are here. If you have the loudest voice in the world or are the quiet one behind the scenes; we are glad you are here. If you have failed once or a million times in your life; we are glad you are here. If you sing like angels, or mumble shyly the words to a song; we are glad you are here.

This community of St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes, Guardian Angels, Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. John Fisher, is what it is because of your presence. Welcome into this space of love, support, compassion, and worship. We are glad you are here. We sincerely hope this is a blessed experience for you, and you will continue to join us regularly. You will find our parishes very welcoming and helpful. May God bless each of you for joining us and worshipping with us.

Fr. Steve Ongi



## ADORATION & RECONCILIATION

#### Adoration

8am - 8pm

**Guardian Angels** Thursdays from 7 - 8pm 1st Friday of the month from

#### Immaculate Heart of Mary

Exposition: Tuesdays from 6am - 10pm You can also visit the adoration chapel at any time during the week.

#### St. John Fisher

Wednesdays from 7 - 8pm 2nd Tuesday of month from 12:30 - 1:30pm

### Reconciliation Guardian Angels

Saturdays from 2 - 3pm

#### Immaculate Heart of Mary

Tuesdays from 6:30 - 7pm Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:30pm

#### **St. John Fisher** Wednesdays from 7 - 8pm

## BAPTISM

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

By Baptism we become members of the Church, the Body of Christ! We invite you to learn more about baptism by contacting one of the individuals below!

Guardian Angels Annette Robinson or Carolyn Schwettman office@gaparish.org, 513-231-7440

Immaculate Heart of Mary Peggy Sorrentino peggys@ihom.org, 513-388-4093

St. John Fisher Connie Wehmeyer, conniew@sjfchurch.org, 513-561-9431 x113



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Advent Taizé Prayer Service Wednesday, December 4th at 7 pm at IHM

Prayer in the spirit of the Taizé Community is a meditative form of common prayer. Gathered in the presence of Christ we sing uncomplicated, repetitive songs, uncluttered by too many words, allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity. A few words sung over and over again reinforce the meditative quality of prayer. They express a basic reality of faith that can quickly be grasped by the intellect and gradually penetrates the whole being. Please join the St. Gregory the Great family community for this contemplative prayer service.

#### St. Gregory the Great Advent Penance Service at GA Tuesday, December 10 at 7 pm

Our Advent Penance Service for the St. Gregory the Great family will take place at Guardian Angels on Tuesday, December 10th at 7 pm. This communal service is an opportunity to join our sisters and brothers in asking for forgiveness and healing during this important time of year. All are invited to join with our faith community to reflect on our lives through Scripture readings and songs, followed by an examination of conscience, and ending with individual confessions with a priest.

You don't need to memorize any words to receive Christ's healing gift, though you are welcome to use the prayers set forth by the church if that makes you more comfortable. Most importantly, remember that this is a sacrament of healing - it is not meant to cause shame, but rather help you openly receive God's sacramental grace.

Our God is a forgiving God. Please consider participating in this sacramental action.

## Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation

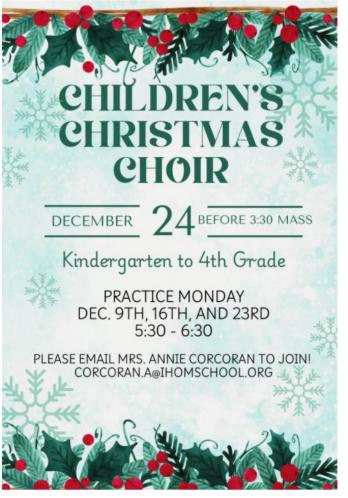
On Monday, December 9th, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. The schedule of Masses in the St. Gregory the Great family of parishes as follows:

7:30 am – Guardian Angels

8:15 am – Immaculate Heart of Mary (with school)

9:00 am – Guardian Angels (with school)

- 12:00 pm Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 6:15 pm St. John Fisher 7:00 pm – Guardian Angels



## St. Nick at GA | December 1

Children of all ages are welcome to join us for a visit from St. Nicholas on Sunday, December 1, 2024 after the 10 am Mass at GA. Expect goodies for the children, refreshments and the opportunity to learn about this generous Saint!

## Help Us Communicate With You!

The St. Gregory the Great Newsletter began this month and included the Beacons of Light Annual Planning report for St. Gregory the Great, along with each parish's financial report. Subscribe today by scanning the QR code! The December newsletter will include a 25 days of Acts of Kindness Advent Calendar that you can do with your family.



The GA monthly newsletter and IHM weekly Midweek email will remain for the time being. The St. Gregory the Great email will be focused on news from the family level.

# NEWS AND EVENTS

## WELCOME TO



SAINT GREGORY the GREAT

#### We are life-long disciples responding to the mission that we are called for more.

The St. Gregory the Great family of parishes is committed to creating a vibrant, welcoming and engaged Roman Catholic Community of all ages, unified in mission and centered in the Eucharist. We are dedicated to fostering discipleship by following Jesus through prayer, teaching, sacraments and service.

We are a family of parishes in which you can truly belong! Whether you are just beginning to explore Catholicism or have been Catholic all your life; whether you have been involved a lot or a little in parish life, we value you. As a community, we care for one another, knowing that through our ministry we perceive Christ's presence among us.

We welcome you to a lifelong journey of immersion in the Gospels of Salvation, encountering Christ, following Him on the way and inviting others to do the same.

In your pew at church you will find a Welcome Guide tailored to each of our three churches within our Family of Parishes. Please take a look - it is helpful information for you to have whether it's for yourself or your neighbor. We are so glad you are here!

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#### Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Night

SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for Thursday, December 5th at 7:30pm. Jake Barton, our Knights of Columbus Field Agent, will be doing a Fraternal Benefits Night presentation that will be of interest to people of all ages! It is titled: *Discussion of Required Minimum Distributions and the SECURE 2.0 Act*. The meeting will be held in the West Heritage room at IHM and is open to the public. All are invited to attend to learn how the Knights can help protect your retirement savings in light of new federal laws and regulations. Please come and invite your relatives, neighbors, and friends. St. Gregory the Great 60+ Activities

**December 4:** Join us for adult beverages and camaraderie at 5:30 pm at Dead Low Brewing, 5959 Kellogg Ave. Please call or text 513-315-8306 or email maryfwinkel@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Reservation deadline is December 2.

**December 17:** Our Afternoon Euchre takes place from 2 - 4 pm in the Welcome Center on IHM's campus. Hope to see you there!

This Thanksgiving may your home be filled with love and peace as we give thanks to the Lord.

Any questions, please contact Ed Birck at edbirck@att.net.

#### St. Nick Ham Dinner at SJF

Everyone is invited to the annual St. Nick dinner on Sunday, December 1st from 5 – 7:30 pm. This fun event will be in Pater Hall at St. John Fisher and includes a yummy ham dinner, games for the kids and maybe, just maybe, a special visit from St. Nick himself! All parishioners are invited - young and old, single or married, individuals or families.

To make sure we have enough food, register by Monday, November 25th. Signup sheets are in the gathering space at SJF, you can email Angel at angelm@sjfchurch.org, or call her at 513-561-9431 x116.

The per person cost is \$5 for ages 13 and up and \$2 for kids 12 and under; maximum per family is \$20. Pay at the door, cash or check. We look forward to seeing you there!

# FAITH FORMATION & EVANGELIZATION



### Fathers Team | Every Friday

Come as you are. Leave changed.

In this season of Fathers Team our theme is "We Can Be Heroes." Jesus called twelve sinners to follow Him, and they changed the world. In the heart of every Christian man lies the potential to be a hero and it starts with doing the small things heroically like supporting our wives, guiding our children and mentoring our friends. Ordinary men doing extraordinary things can be found everywhere. Start your journey to becoming an everyday hero for the ones you love. DATE: November 29, 2024 TIME: 6:03 - 7:03 am NO FATHER'S TEAM MEETING THIS WEEK AT IHM

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) provides a nurturing and age-appropriate environment where children can experience the joy of the Gospel and grow in their faith. CLOW is a special part of the Mass where children gather separately from the main congregation to hear and discuss the Word of God in a way that is tailored to their age group. Children will be dismissed from Mass just before the first reading and will return during the offertory.

- IHM holds CLOW on the first Sunday of the month during the 9:30am Mass. This program is for children ages 3-2nd grade. For more information, please contact Tina Ramundo at tinar@sggparish.org.
- GA holds CLOW on the third Sunday of every month during the 10am Mass. This program is for children ages 3-7. If you are interested in learning more or volunteering to help, please email alisonr@sggparish.org.

## **High School Youth Group**

Tuesday, November 26th 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the IHM Youth Room 7826 Beechmont Ave. **Topic:** Making Sense

The goal of Making Sense is for teens to understand how God's grace is found in the Sacraments of the Church so that they will be strengthened in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

#### Young Men's Faith & Fellowship

Men in their 205 – 40s are invited to join the Young Men's Faith & Fellowship group for the *Into the Breach Series* from the Knights of Columbus. The series touches on relevant topics for men in our age group through the lens of our faith. We will meet from 8:30 – 9:30 pm in Room B at Guardian Angels on the date listed below. No religious background/experience is necessary and there is no preparation required. Each session is a stand-alone topic. If you are interested in being added to our email distribution list, please email mensfaith@gaparish.org. **November 25 Topic:** Life

#### **Ministry of Prayer**

Prayer is foundational to the Church and all our ministries. Contemplative orders like the Carmelites, Trappists, and Cistercians arose from the custom of the desert fathers and mothers who devoted themselves to prayer for the love of God and the salvation of souls. Our new Ministry of Prayer is for anyone willing to devote themselves to daily prayer for our family of parishes in this same tradition. There are no meetings, and you don't even need to leave home. We will send you monthly reflections and intercessions. For more information, contact Rosanne Thomas, Director of Adult Evangelization for St. Gregory the Great, at 513-388-4189 or rosannet@sggparish.org.

#### **Adoration Chapel**

On the first tuesday of Advent in 2023, a strong group of parishioners joined together to renew weekly Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at IHM. One year later, these dedicated parishioners have been joined by many others and supported by dedicated members of our community who have signed up to be substitutes when needed. One of our Adorers, Veronica, states,"While the thought of committing to a full year of Exposition seemed daunting at first, it has become an hour with God that I look forward to every week. Some days it's difficult to quiet my mind and all of the to-do lists and worries running through it, so I focus on reading the Bible or praying the rosary. Other days, sitting in silence seems effortless. No matter how I'm feeling that day, spending time with God in the calm & quiet of the chapel brings me peace and reminds me of what is truly important as I start my day." We are so grateful for all who have joined us this year and look forward to year two and trust in the many benefits found in the Adoration Chapel. For more information email adorationsggf@gmail.com

# SOCIAL ACTION | VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Angel Tree Project is open to the St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes!

The Prison Ministry Angel Tree Project is off and running! We are committed to serving 80 children this year and we need some additional help. Volunteers are needed to provide gifts for the children and to help with deliveries, and most importantly we need your prayers. Based on recent data, there are three million incarcerated men and women who have children under the age of 17. For these children and their parents, Christmas can be a very difficult time. We want to ease their pain. We want them to know that there is a community that cares for them. If you would like to volunteer, a

SignUp Genius has been created so you can let us know how you want to participate.



Please scan the QR Code: If you have any questions, please

contact one of the committee co-chairs: Kathy Hoh at khoh@roadrunner.com or Joannie McHugh at jemchugh1007@gmail.com. Please keep all these people in your prayers. Thank you in advance for joining us to be the hands of Jesus for these children!

If you would like to make a donation, you can do so through this QR code:





## Adopt-a-Family for Christmas

The GA St. Vincent de Paul Society Adopt-a-Family program is underway. This time of year can be very stressful for many families in our area. Please consider helping one of these families and bring joy to the faces of their children by adopting them. If you, your family, or group of friends are interested in

adopting a family, please call the GA rectory office at 513-231-7440. You can choose any size family that would fit your budget. Thank you for your support!



#### **IHM Advent Giving Trees**

The 2024 IHM Advent Giving Tree program starts this weekend. Make The Giving Tree your family holiday tradition!

WHEN: The trees are now set up in the gathering space. Please be generous and take as many tags as you can – there are tags to fit every budget. To ensure your gift items are delivered to the designated agencies, please bring your unwrapped gifts any time during the following weekends: November 23rd - 24th and November 30th – December 1st. All donations must be dropped off no later than December 7th & 8th with tags attached. All gifts will be sorted and delivered by December 9th.

FOR WHOM: There will be a color chart on each tree indicating the color tag which corresponds to specific organizations. IHM supports many organizations, including SEM Food Pantry, Welcome House, Bethany House, A Caring Place, Our Lady of the Mountains Church, Anderson Senior Center, Pregnancy Center East, and St. Vincent de Paul. You can be sure your donations will go to help those in need, because all donations you make are passed through their designated agencies and go directly to the needy.

## The Giving Tree at GA

If you are able to help a neighbor in need, please take an ornament or two from the Christmas Tree Baskets available at all church doors. Please return your unwrapped gift to the boxes at the church entrances by Sunday, December 29. Place the ornament on your tree as a reminder to pray for the recipients. These generous gifts will go to Pregnancy Center Plus, SEM and A Caring Place.

## IHM Project Education 20th Year Anniversary

Add a student from our twinning community to your gift list this year! Working together as a people of faith, we continue to transform lives at our twinning community through Project Education for Batahola. Your gift of education this Christmas will mean a hope-filled new year for a most deserving and eager-to-learn Nicaraguan student. You can find the form to sponsor a student on our website at ihom.org under News & Announcements and also under the Outreach tab - Parish Twinning.

## SGG Supports Hurricane Relief

Many thanks to the GA and IHM students, families and parishioners who contributed supplies to Matthew 25 Ministries to aid the many

people affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Numerous trips were made to drop off carloads of donations. A special thanks to Katie Durstock, Marge English, Corey Stoops and Mike Kleshock for organizing the drives so quickly.



# HEALTH MINISTRY: NEWS AND EVENTS

#### Volunteers needed for St. Gregory the Great Bereavement Ministry

The Bereavement Ministry provides consolation, support, and practical assistance to families during the time of a loved one's death. This group strives to ease the burden of those planning a funeral service. Bereavement ministers are involved in planning the funeral Mass, setting up the church for funerals, and are often present on the day of the funeral to help everything run smoothly. If your gifts lie in consolation and healing of the grieving, please consider becoming a bereavement minister. For more information, contact: Kendall Keiser, RN - Director of Health Ministry 513-388-4184

kendallk@sggparish.org

#### **Volunteers at Hospice**

Volunteers are needed at Hospice of Cincinnati at the Anderson unit and the new Christ Hospital unit for spiritual care and Eucharistic Ministers, serving meals and other responsibilities. Fill out the short volunteer application at hospiceofcincinnati.org. For questions contact Nancy at Hospice at 513-246-9168 or Ray at IHM at 513-418-1315.

#### Dorothy's Give Back Blood Drive Donate in October or November!



Donate blood in Dorothy Rice's memory anytime during October or November at Anderson Neighborhood Donor Center, 7715 Five Mile Road. The Rice Family is forever grateful for the support from the IHM and St. Gregory the Great Parish communities, as well as Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Dorothy battled childhood cancer and received multiple units of blood. Her memorial tree is next to the IHM front parking lot.

This Annual Blood Drive is to help other families in need. Schedule your donation by scanning the QR code or call 513-451-0910. Say "Dorothy's Give Back Blood Drive" or code B882.

Hoxworth Premiums: October - hooded long sleeve t-shirt, November - Cyclones hockey pullover





## St. Gregory the Great Mental Wellness Minute

### Thanksgiving Is

Thanksgiving is a time of gratitude to God, our Creator and Provider, whose guidance and care go before us...and whose love is with us forever.

Gratitude certainly involves being thankful, but it is more than that. Gratitude is an attitude of appreciation under any circumstance. Gratitude means experiencing and expressing thankfulness and being appreciative of life on a daily basis, even when nothing exciting happens, and even when bad things happen.

We can cultivate our own 'attitude of gratitude' through prayer and meditation, connecting with loved ones, and giving to those in need.

You are invited to learn more about the SGG Mental Wellness Ministry, Please join us for an informational meeting on Monday, December 9th from 7 - 8 pm at the IHM Welcome Center library. RSVP to Kendall Keiser at kendallk@sggparish.org.



#### **Commemoration of All Souls**

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace

#### Remember the St. Gregory the Great Family in Your Will or Estate Plans:

Please consider remembering Guardian Angels, Immaculate Heart of Mary or St. John Fisher in your will or estate plans. Your gift will have a lasting impact on the life of the parish and future parishioners.

# IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

#### IHM Boy Scout Troop 694 Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale

IHM Troop 694 will be selling fresh-cut trees, and wreaths! New this year, we're opening the weekend before Thanksgiving! Saturday, November 23: 8am - 8pm Sunday, November 24: 11am - 7pm Black Friday, November 29: 8am - 8pm

Hours through December 22: Fridays: 5pm - 8pm; Saturdays, 8am - 8pm; and Sundays, 11am - 7pm.

You can purchase trees via a QR code during the week days. The QR code will be shared in the coming weeks. Contact boyscouttroop694@gmail.com with questions. God Bless and thank you for supporting our Troop!

## Gift It Forward Fundraiser for GA Boy Scout Troop 445

Complete your holiday shopping and help us fund our project! \$8.00 per evergreen gift purchased using the fundraising code below will go to Troop 445! Choose gifts on



GiftitForward.com. Shop and use code: **TR445OH001**. Gifts are shipped directly to the gift recipient from the manufacturer via FedEx.



### GA Upcoming Admission Event - Informational Coffee

Meet the principal, have your questions answered on a personal level and see the school in action! Incoming Kindergarten - 8th Grade Tuesday, December 3rd | 6 - 7:30pm



#### **IHM Loose Coin Collection**

The Loose Coin Collection is still an active ministry at IHM. Most of us no longer carry a pocket or purse full of change but we often do have a few coins. The next time you find yourself with an extra coin or two, bring them to weekend Mass at IHM and drop them into the collection basket. The coins really do add up. Let your little ones put in some coins as it is also a great lesson in giving and they gladly do that! When we have collected \$500 or more, we send the names of three local agencies that could use our help to IHM's 7th grade students. The students then research those agencies, the work they do, debate and vote on which agency will receive the money. This is a wonderful way for the students to be part of helping the poor and disadvantaged of our society. The students feel empowered by helping one of them. This last school year the students chose to give the money to St. Joseph Home. If you would rather donate a dollar or two, you can put that into a plain envelope marked "coin collection" on the outside of the envelope and put it in the offertory basket. You can also mail a check to the parish made out to IHM Parish with loose coin in the note section and on the envelope.

"By shining a light on the unnamed widow's generosity, Jesus reminds us that what is most important to God is not the quantity of the gift, but the generosity of the one doing the giving."

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family

from the St. Gregory the Great Staff!



# SPOTLIGHT

## IHM Annual Winter Gala | February 1

The IHM Gala is our annual fundraiser that supports the youth of our church. Proceeds will be given to the IHM schoolteachers, faculty, staff and catechists in the form of recognition bonuses for their discipleship in responding to our mission that we are called for more. Your donation will support the individuals who make an active choice to form our Catholic children through prayer, teaching, sacraments and service.

#### THE NOVEMBER RAFFLE

Complete Step 1 and 2 by December 2 to be entered to win a one-night stay at the Aloft Hotel at Newport on the Levee after the 2025 Annual Winter Gala on Feb. 1.





#### IHM St. Vincent de Paul

If you or a neighbor are in need they can call 513-388-4191 for help. If you want to join our volunteers or find out more information, please call 513-388-4191.

#### GA St. Vincent de Paul

If you or a neighbor are in need they can call 513-624-3147 for help. If you want to join our volunteers or find out more information, please call 513-624-3147.

#### SJF St. Vincent de Paul

If you or a neighbor are in need they can call 513-624-3147 for help. St. John Fisher partners with GA St. Vincent de Paul.

#### Guardian Angels SVDP in September and October

In September and October, Guardian Angels SVDP assisted 65 families, providing \$4,700 for rent, \$3,662 for utilities, \$99 for a bed, \$480 for pantry food, and \$429 in other help. Thank you for your generosity. It is sincerely appreciated by our neighbors.

#### St. Gregory the Great Christmas Cookies for Justice

Transforming Jail Ministries volunteer chaplains deliver more than 1,200 dozen cookies of homemade goodness to all of the jail facilities in Hamilton County, Ohio on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Each incarcerated person receives a bag of cookies and assurance that someone is thinking about and praying for them over the holidays. A similar thing is done for Corrections Officers a few days earlier.

Our IHM prison ministry team asks for your help in baking and packing. If you are interested in helping to pack the cookies on December 19 or 20, please call Sherrie Heyse at 513-843-7188. If possible, decorate the cookies to look festive! While baking, please pray for the incarcerated and corrections officers.

Examples: 1. Chocolate chip or sugar cookies with sprinkles, decorated cut sugar cookies, colored M&Ms. 2. Oatmeal with raisins or Craisins, or any regular sized cookie. Regular size is approximately 2-3", so that we can fit 6 cookies comfortably in a zip lock sandwich bag when we pack them. Uniformity is desired so that everyone feels the same amount of appreciation. In other words, please avoid baking any cookies that could create jealousy between inmates (candy, fudge, etc.). Allow cookies to cool and dry completely before delivering, do not deliver in plastic bags. Tins and containers cannot be returned so please do not send us valuable containers you would like to receive back.

Drop off at the GA, IHM or SJF church office by Thursday morning, December 19. Pick up is at 12 pm.

Financial donations can be mailed to: Transforming Jail Ministries PO Box 19070 Cincinnati, OH 45219



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## This Week's Activities: Prayer, Teaching, Sacraments & Service

	7:00am	Rosary	Church, GA
	7:00pm	Education Commission	School Library, IHM
Monday, Nov. 25	7:00pm	SGG Pastoral Council	Conference Room, SJF
	7:30pm	SVDP	E/W St. Matthew Rooms, IHM
	8:00pm	Young Men's Faith & Fellowship	Room B, GA
	6:00am	Eucharistic Adoration until 10pm	Eucharistic Chapel, IHM
	7:00am	Rosary	Church, GA
	9:30am	WOW Bible Study	E/W St. Matthew Rooms, IHM
Tuesday, Nov. 26	6:30pm	Reconciliation	Gathering Space, IHM
Tuesday, Nov. 26	6:30pm	Intercessory Prayer Group	Church, GA
	6:30pm	Fernside	Cafeteria, IHM
	6:30pm	High School Youth Ministry	Youth Room, IHM
	7:00pm	Financial Operations	Room B, GA
	7:00am	Rosary	Church, GA
Wednesday, Nov. 27	9:00am	Bible Study	Room B, GA
Weunesuay, NOV. 27	6:30pm	True Devotion to Mary	Blessed Mother Room, IHM
	7:00pm	Holy Hour & Confessions	Church, SJF
Thursday, Nov. 28		Thanksgiving Day	GA, IHM & SJF Offices Closed
Thursday, NOV. 20	9:00am	Thanksgiving Day Mass	Church, IHM
		Day after Thanksgiving	GA, IHM & SJF Offices Closed
Friday, Nov. 29	6:03pm	Father's Group	Nativity Room, SJF
111uay, 110v. 29	6:03am	Fathers Team	Room B, GA
	7:00am	Rosary	Church, GA
	7:45am	Catholic Men's Prayer Group	Nativity Room, SJF
Saturday, Nov. 30	2:00pm	Reconciliation	Church, GA
<u> </u>	3:30pm	Reconciliation	Gathering Space, IHM
	7:30am	Rosary	Church, GA
	9:30am	Parish Coffee	Gathering Space, IHM
Sunday, Dec. 1	11:00am	St. Nick Visit	Undercroft, GA
	1:00pm	SGG Confirmation Planning Group	Youth Room, IHM
	5:00pm	St. Nick Dinner	Pater Hall, SJF

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## FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	7:30 am GA Noon IHM	Saturday, November 30 Presider
		3:30 pm GA TK 5:00 pm IHM DS
Tuesday	7:30 am GA Noon SJF	Sunday, December 1
Wednesday	7:30 am GA Noon IHM	8:00 am     GA     SA       9:00 am     SJF     AH       9:30 am     IHM     TK       10:00 am     GA     SA       11:00 am     SJF     AH
Thursday	7:30 am GA Noon SJF	11:30 am IHM    TK 1:30 pm IHM (en espanol) 5:30 pm IHM    AH
Friday	7:30 am GA Noon IHM	
Saturday	8:15 IHM	SAINT   PRESIDER KEY     Fr. Steve Angi = SA     Fr. Aaron Hess = AH     Fr. Tom King = TK     Fr. Dave Sunberg = DS

#### St. Jerome Masses

Tuesday Evening 7:30pm, First Friday 7:30pm Saturday Evening 5pm, Sunday 9:30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and every other Friday at 10am except First Friday Masses

## Keep in Mind

Understanding everything about God and God's law is not necessary for salvation. Rather, it's like a prescription for medicine. At some point trust is required: Trust in the doctor, trust in the pharmacist, trust in the drug manufacturer. So we take as directed and lo and behold it works.... my blood pressure goes down.

Somehow we manage to trust so many sources in our lives, many of them invisible to us. Isn't it interesting how difficult we find it to trust God and His prescription for a good life?

Deacon Bob

# St. Gregory the Great Family of Parishes Prayer

St. Gregory the Great, patron saint of teachers, present our prayer of gratitude to our Heavenly Father. Share our prayer of wisdom and guidance as we continue on the path to unify our family of parishes. Just as you led the faithful knowing "the proof of love is in the works", open our hearts to be dedicated disciples of Jesus through prayer, teaching, sacraments and service. May our works, inspired by Jesus, guide us to unity within our family and love within our community. Teach us humility and compassion, the cornerstones of generosity, and the unwavering faith you demonstrated through times of change, so that we come together in unity, rooted in Christ's love. Amen.

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513-231-7440

Office Hours:

Saturday: Closed

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YTD Budget: \$410,000

Actual: \$112,648

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St. John Fisher



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Immaculate Heart of Mary Actual: \$143,851 Budget: \$155,000

YTD Actual: \$607,589 YTD Budget: \$615,000

**Immaculate Heart of Mary** 

7770 Beechmont Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45255 513-388-4466

Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 4pm Saturday: 9am - 12pm Sunday: Closed

Emergency: 513-820-2588 Volunteer: volunteer@ihom.org Email: parish@ihom.org www.ihom.org St. John Fisher

Actual: \$42,648 Budget: \$31,372

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**St. John Fisher** 3227 Church St. Cincinnati, OH 45244 513-561-9431

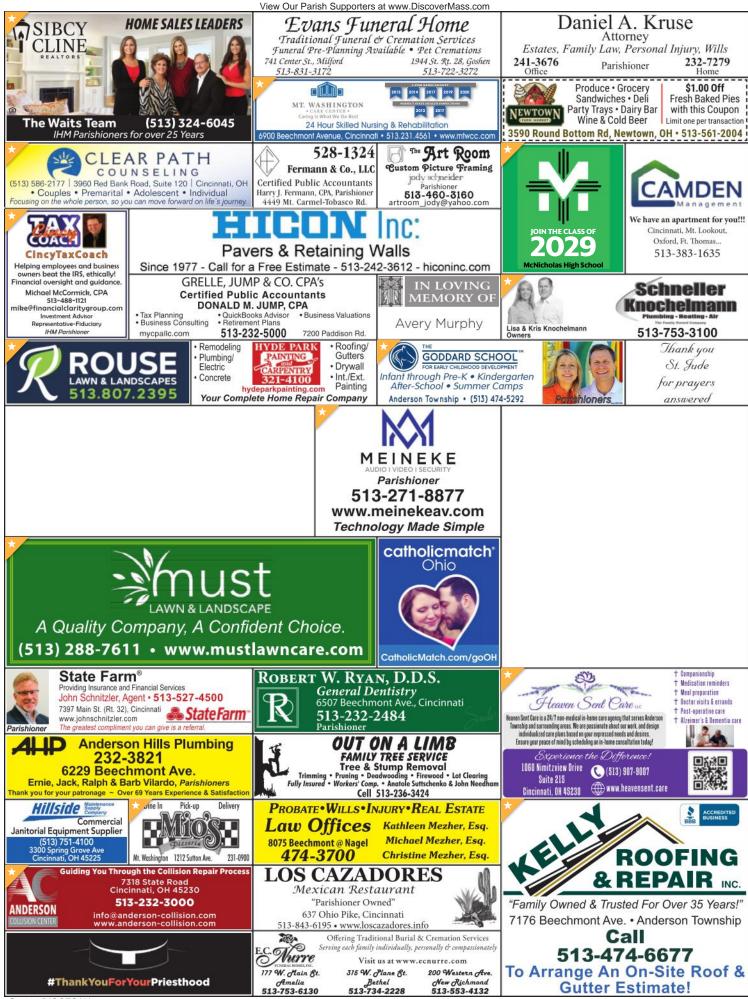
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