

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

FR. MICHAEL SAYS.....

Have you ever come to our Wednesday evening Eucharistic Adoration?

Every Wednesday, from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, we hold Eucharistic Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Church.

This time of adoration started when I realized how many people were attending the monthly Wednesdays in Wintersville events. It seemed like a good idea to have an opportunity for those who wandered into the church to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist.

These evenings of adoration are also paired with a weekly rosary that has been going on for many years. **Parishioners have been praying the rosary on Wednesdays at 7:00pm for as long as I have been here in Wintersville.**

While there are always some people present for adoration and the rosary, the crowd has been fairly small for several months. I mention this, not to shame anyone into being there, but to encourage everyone to make use of the opportunity if it is a possibility for you.

Having a scheduled time of prayer every week can help to build a habit that spreads throughout your life. **These two ways of prayer - Eucharistic Adoration and the rosary - have been recommended by saints and popes; they are two powerful ways of making time and space to be with the Lord.**

So, if you have some free time on a Wednesday evening, come and make a visit with Jesus exposed on the altar. There is no better way to spend your time than with him!



May God bless you for your goodness to His Church for the week of Jan. 11th, 2026

(BLS)

Adult Envelopes	\$6,576.00
Children's Envelopes	\$1.00
Candles	\$112.00
Poinsettias	\$
SVdP	\$1,115.00
Improvement Fund	\$16,040.00
Loose	\$178.26

(OLL)

Adult Envelopes	\$1698.00
Children's Envelopes	\$0
Candles	\$58.00
Poinsettias	\$320.00
SVdP	\$55.00
Improvement Fund	\$1,280.00
Loose	\$14.00

Due to the approaching retirement of our parish secretary, Kathy, we are posting the following:

PARISH SECRETARY OPENING:

Full-time. Monday thru Friday 8:30am to 3:30pm
Qualifications: practicing Roman Catholic; (preferably a member of our Wintersville parishes); excellent interpersonal communication skills; skilled in Microsoft Word, Excel and QuickBooks; familiar with social media inputting, and ability to honor and maintain strict confidentiality.

Prior experience in administrative / secretarial work preferred. Email resume to wintersvilleparishes.org.
Full job description and salary (based on experience) will be provided during the interview.

REST IN PEACE: Please remember in your prayers the kind repose of the soul of **Ella Salancy (OLL)**. *May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS:

There are a few poinsettias left so if you wish to have one, please help yourself.



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	Jan. 17	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm	(BLS)	Jeanne Irvin Krivak (John & Judy Irvin)
Sun	Jan. 18	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(BLS)	Living & deceased members of our Wintersville parishes
9:30am	(OLL)	Joseph & Betty Mickey (Farchione family)
11:00am	(BLS)	Jon Cooper (Kathy & Rob DiBenedetto)
Mon.	Jan. 19	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	Shirley Toth (Mike & Kathleen Krivoniak)
Tues.	Jan. 20	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	Joe Snider (Bob & Amy Jaros)
Wed.	Jan. 21	St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
8:00am	(BLS)	Marcia Brandt Malks (Payne family)
5:30pm	(BLS)	Adoration & Prayer
Thurs	Jan. 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
8:00am	(BLS)	Samuel Husovic (Michael & Susan Waldstein)
5:15pm	(BLS)	Thomas D. DuBois (Todd & donna Morelli)
Fri.	Jan. 23	Weekday
8:00am	(BLS)	Joseph Snider (Sandy & Jim Petrozzi)
Sat.	Jan. 24	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Dr. of the Church
8:00am	(BLS)	Alisa Sklenar (Shirley Adamski)
Sat.	Jan. 24	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm	(BLS)	Jean Morelli (Mary Mastroianni)
Sun.	Jan. 25	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(BLS)	Vito D'Aurora (D'Aurora family)
9:30am	(OLL)	Living & deceased members of our Wintersville parishes
11:00am	(BLS)	Ida Camerlango (Norouzi family)

Play That One Again

How many times have you sung the church song, “Here I Am, Lord”? If you grew up Catholic and are around my age (still 50!), the answer is more than you can count. The song that quotes various verses of Scripture is sung using guitar, piano, or organ, by cantors and choirs, in traditional and modern churches. It is truly a Catholic greatest hit of the modern Church. **The question is how many times when singing the refrain have you really taken to heart what you were singing?**

“Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.” Like the biblical figure Samuel, we are responding to the call of God by asking for clarification that we are indeed the one being called. We then follow up the question with a profound statement: “I will go if You lead me.” It is profound because we are pledging to our God that we are willing to go wherever He wants. We are accepting the challenge put forth in the U.S. Bishops’ pastoral letter, “Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response,” to become mature disciples who respond to the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We have sung this pledge repeatedly for many years.

We never have any idea what God will call us to do and where to go. Sometimes the request can ask us for quite a lot. Hopefully, we will respond like a mature disciple. If not, maybe we should reflect more the next time this song is played. The melody will not allow for the words, “I will see if I am busy and then decide to go if you lead me.” Then again, I don’t want to sing that to God, the source of all life anyway. Do you?

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Day of Prayer for the LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

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**Remember in your prayers the intentions
of our Holy Father, Pope Leo**

JANUARY

(For Prayer with the Word of God)

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be
nourishment for our lives and a source of hope
in our communities, helping us to build a
more fraternal and missionary Church.





LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

January 24th & 25th

Saturday 1/24 **4:30pm**

Lector: Lou DiGregory

EMOCH: Linda Berkey

Altar servers: John Hendricks & Aidan Marrow

Sunday 1/25 **8:00am**

Lector: Michael Krog

EMOHC: Christina Mitchell

Altar servers: Christian Mitchell

(OLL) **9:30am**

Lector: Rob Yocom

Altar servers: (Volunteer)

11:00am

Lector: Dave Chaney

EMOHC: Kaci Chaney

Altar servers: Hollis Chaney, Mateo Vitello
& Peter Kissinger

If you are unable to be at your designated ministry when you are scheduled, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Thank you! Please don't just not show up.

PARISH NEWS / EVENTS



IN THE HOSPITAL: as of Thurs., Jan. 15th:

No one as of the above date

Please pray for all homebound parishioners, those in nursing homes and their caregivers.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL MINISTRY: We gratefully acknowledges the following **Memorial Donations**:

Joseph Snider, Rosemary O'Brien, and Robert "Crow" Kaminski from Claudia Dorich; Roger Wells from Dan and Cindy Houk; and Tony and Nina Gentile from their children, Robert, Thomas, Rita Dutton and Anita Rice.

BULLETIN MEMORIALS: 3 memorials will expire at the end of January. The dates are circled in the lower right-hand corner. If you wish to renew them, please contact the parish office before the end of the month. If you do not, the space will become available in February.

FYI: A parish accountability group for Catholic men who are struggling with pornography is available at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Wintersville. The leader of the group will interview each man who wishes to attend.

If you would like to attend, please email blessedsacrament7pillars@gmail.com.



WE STILL NEED UPDATED CONTACT NUMBERS & EMAILS: If you no longer have a land line in your home and rely only on cell phones, please call the parish office and let us know the number(s) (also, if you would share your email address, that would be great too). We like to keep our information as updated as possible so please, give us a call soon.

MONTHLY HOLY HOUR: Prepare your family for the consecration of the United States to the Sacred Heart in June 2026 and pray for our country by honoring the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus at a monthly Holy Hour at the Novitiate Chapel of the Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus (700 Lovers Lane, Steubenville) beginning on Monday Jan. 12, at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there!

2026 DIOCESAN MEN'S DAY OF RENEWAL:

Will be held on **Saturday, March 7**, at St. Stephen Church in Caldwell, OH., **from 8:00am to 3:00pm**.

This Lenten retreat invites men of the diocese to reflect on the ongoing call to conversion and spiritual growth in our journey with Christ. The day will feature personal testimonies from Fr. Bradley Greer and Fr. Timothy Shannon, who will share how the Eucharist has been central to their own conversions and priestly lives, offering practical insights for living and spreading the faith in our families, parishes, workplaces and communities. Cost is \$25.00 per registration plus a \$3.00 online surcharge. Lunch is included.

Register online at www.athenscatholic.org/steubenville-mens-day. More information, including the full schedule is available on the website. You may also contact Ron DuBois at 740-457-6011 or by email at ronduboisjr@gmail.com.

