HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Holy Family Catholic Church is a parish of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati entrusted to the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & all the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Traditional Roman Rite of 1962. We are blessed to have a wonderful Schola/Choir who know Gregorian chant. If you wish to learn chant please contact:

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Amanda Gulick:

<u>CONFESSION SCHEDULE</u> FRI/SAT/SUN : 1/2 hour before Mass As well as anytime by appointment



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> First Communion Class starts TODAY! We will meet in the Parish Hall at 12:30. Parents are welcome to bring a lunch down to the Church basement after 10:30 Mass. Then we will march over to the Nazareth Center basement classroom. Parents are invited to sit in on the classes! Pray for Us!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Jan 28		Septuagesima Sunday	
	8:ooAM	Pro Populo	
	10:30AM	Andrew Coleman	
Jan 29		St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor	
7	:00PM	Gabriel Kraus HIGH MASS!	
Jan 30	Tues	St. Martina, Virgin & Martyr	
	12:00PM	John and Joan Moylan +	
Jan 31	Wed	St. John Bosco, Confessor	
	12:00PM	Ron Boehm +	
Feb 1	Thurs	St. Ignatius, Bishop & Martyr	
	12:00PM	Paul Fisher + (Anniversary)	
Feb 2	Fri	Purification of the BVM/Candlemas	
*** 7:	ooPM***	Nicholas Coleman FIRST FRIDAY	
Feb 3	Sat	Immaculate Conception/ Com. St. Blaise	
	9:00AM	Joseph and Maria Green + FIRST SATURDAY	
		(Blessing of throats after mass) 8AM Holy Hour	
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Feb 4	8:00AM	Nan Martino	

<u>Latin Mass Schedule2023</u>			
(Low Mass) (High Mass)	8:00AM 10:30 AM		
	7PM		
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday			
-	7PM		
	9AM		
	(Low Mass) (High Mass)		

Septuagesima Sunday

According to the liturgical calendar for the Extraordinary Form today is Septuagesima Sunday. The Season of Septuagesima is the two and a half weeks leading to Ash Wednesday (Feb 14 this year!) which is the beginning of Lent, also known as "Quadragesima". Today we see the liturgical emphasis starts to dim the joys of Christ's birth—as you have no doubt noticed the priest wears violet vestments which is a penitential color. The joys of Christmas and Epiphany are now slowly giving way to the realization of WHY He came to earth and the heavy price the Christ Child will have to pay in order to redeem us. This year the seasons overlap a bit. We will hear it foretold to the Blessed Mother by Holy Simeon on the Feast of the Purification, this Friday, the official end of Christmastide, "Behold this child is destined for the fall and for the rise of many in Israel and for a sign that shall be contradicted. And thy own soul a sword shall pierce

that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed".

The Season of Septuagesima is therefore a preparation for Lent. It serves as a <u>time of transition</u>, a liturgical "buffer", by which the Christian soul may pass from Christmas joys to the stern penance of the sacred forty days. Liturgically we see the white vestments of Christmas and Epiphany, symbols of joy, change into the penitential color of violet. We also notice the absence of the "Gloria" on Sundays and feria days of the season as well as the total suppression of the "Alleluia" throughout the season until it is sung again three times at the Easter Vigil demonstrating the great joy of the

Resurrection of Our Lord and His victory over sin and death! But first we will do penance following Christ from the desert the first Sunday of Lent to the cross on Good Friday. Thus this liturgical Season of Septuagesima invites us to <u>begin thinking</u> about what we are going to give up (food, drink, games, bad habits, TV & internet etc.) and what we are going to do positively (adoration, prayers, alms, works of mercy, spiritual reading, virtues, etc.) during this coming Lent for the love of Our Dear Lord who came into the world that first Christmas with the sole purpose to suffer and die for love of us! Pray to the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier for inspiration! As we wrap up the season of Christmastide this

Friday, let us begin to prepare for Lent 2024!!!

<u>Feast of St. Francis de Sales Monday</u> Jan 29 th The Primary Patron of the <u>Archdiocese of Cincinnati !</u>

St. Francis de Sales is indeed a great patron to



have, not only because of what he has to teach us about growing in our spiritual life but also by his example of searching for his predominant fault and conquer-

ing it in order to eventually become a saint! St . Francis was born in 1567 to noble parents in Thorens, Savoy, France. Although he was of an irascible temper, daily practice of self denial and mortification enabled him to acquire a very meek disposition. He had a magnificent worldly

career ahead of him full of the pleasures that money and power could afford him. However, he chose the priesthood instead. He was sent to preach to the Calvinist of Chablais. There were few Catholics there but his ardent love for God and souls, his great kindliness, rare wisdom and sure teaching made St. Francis exceptionally influential in bringing about conversions and in guiding souls in the spiritual life. He won back to the faith more than 72,000 heretics restoring

to the Catholic Church a great part of the Chablais region which had been ravaged by Protestantism! In 1602 he was named Bishop of Geneva. In union with St. Jane Frances de Chantal he founded the Order of the Visitation nuns. He wrote his famous *Treatise on the Love of God* especially for these nuns. However, his *Introduction to the Devout Life* is by far his greatest work

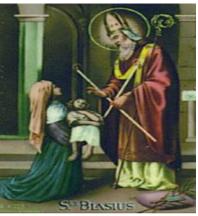
It has become <u>a spiritual classic that EVERY</u> <u>CATHOLIC SHOULD READ!</u> It was originally let-

ters of spiritual direction to a woman in the world who could not travel to Geneva. His writings were so powerful that he was persuaded to compile them into the book that was translated into many languages creating many saints. St. Francis went to his eternal reward in 1622 and was declared Doctor of the Church by Pius XI. HIGH MASS MONDAY AT 7PM!!

St. Francis De Sales—Pray for us!!

Candlemas — Feast of the Purification

THIS FRIDAY is the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Although she was without sin she followed the law of Moses. This feast is traditionally known as CANDLEMAS as candles receive a special blessing and a procession is made within the church in remembrance of Our Lady bringing the Christ Child-the Light of the World—into the temple. Holy Simeon recognizes the Child as the Messiah and foretells that the sword of sorrow will pass through Mary's heart. It is therefore the Fourth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary but also the first of the Seven Sorrows of Our Sorrowful Mother. CANDLES WILL BE BLESSED BEFORE MASS so be sure to label your candles and have them on the table in the sanctuary BEFORE 7PM when Mass begins. We will have extra blessed candles available as well. Please plan on attending this special feast which happens to be FIRST FRIDAY as well!



<u>BLESSING OF THE THROATS</u> <u>This Saturday, Feb 3rd is First</u> <u>Saturday</u> and the Feast of St.

Blaise. The Holy Hour will begin at 8AM with the Blessing of throats following the 9AM Mass. As St. Blaise was being led to his death a mother begged him to save the life of her child who was choking on a bone. The saint stopped his death march to heal him!

Catholic Ministries Appeal CMA Next Sunday!

Next Sunday is our Commitment weekend for the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please join with Catholics in every parish throughout the Archdiocese who are supporting local, Catholic ministries for people here in our communities. These ministries such as St. Rita's School for the Deaf, Prison Ministry, Hospital, Seminary and Vocation Ministries all depend on our help each year. Every registered parish household should receive a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and mail it in the envelope provided. PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE "HOLY FAMILY DAYTON" so our parish gets credited for the donation. As in previous years 50% of funds raised over our goal comes back to Holy Family! We will have pledge cards available at Mass next Sunday as well. Holy Family is indeed a part of the Archdiocese with all of its rights and privileges. Please prayerfully consider what you can give to this appeal. In pew solicitation next week.

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS WILLBE IN THE FRONT ENTRANCE THIS WEDS. PICK THEM UP TO SAVE US THE STAMP! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR VERY GENEROUS DONATIONS THIS YEAR!