## EASTSIDE CATHOLICS

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 27, 2025

St. Cecilia Oakley | St. Mary Hyde Park | The Oratory of St. John Vianney Madisonville

#### **EASTSIDE CATHOLICS**

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#### Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

**St. Mary** (Hyde Park)

Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony

Church (Madisonville)

Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

#### **Daily Mass Schedule**

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday.

All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM

St. Mary (Hyde Park)

5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville)

11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday

#### **Confession Schedule**

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses. One hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

#### Church Addresses

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

3105 Madison Road, Cincinnati OH 45209

Office: (513) 871-5757

www.stceciliacincinnati.org

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The Sunday after Easter we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This feast day was established by Pope Saint John Paul II. According to St. Faustina, Jesus revealed HIS message of God's mercy and His willingness to forgive sins.

Today we also celebrate the canonization of Carlos Acutis, who lived a life that aligned with the themes of Divine Mercy. His love for Christ and his dedication to sharing the message of God's great mercy especially through the Eucharistic miracles is what speaks to so many with the spirit of Divine Mercy Sunday. His devotion to faith is a modern witness to the message of Divine Mercy and the importance of getting closer to God in our lives.

Join us this Sunday at 3 PM at the Oratory of St. John Vianney for a special Holy Hour. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Litany, a short talk will be given, and there will also be music and time for silent prayer. Mark your calendar and plan some time with Our Eucharistic Lord on this Feast of Divine Mercy!

"Easter proclaims that nothing is impossible with God and that His love can overcome all obstacles."

Saint Francis of Assisi

Eastside Catholics Directory Update
Due to scheduling issues with the month of May, we
are pushing back our directory project. The photography is being rescheduled to early Fall. We will keep
you informed when new dates are set.

#### First Communion

A reminder that this weekend is First Communion weekend for our second graders at St. Cecilia, on Saturday, **April 26**, at the 3:30 PM Mass and Sunday, **April 27**, at the 10 AM Mass. Our parking lot and pews will be extra full with visitors, so please plan accordingly and be ready to welcome them into our community.

First Communion will be at St. Mary on Saturday, **May 17,** at the 4 PM Mass and Sunday, **May 18** at the 10:30 AM Mass.

#### Flowers for Mary's Altar

All are invited to bring flowers for the Mary altar at St. Cecilia church throughout the month of May. You can bring your own vase or if you need one, there are a supply of vases on the floor on either side of the altar. Help us honor Mary during this beautiful month!

#### **Runners Blessing**

On Saturday, **May 4**, the eve of the Flying Pig Marathon, St. Cecilia will have the annual blessing of runners at the 3:30 PM Mass. All runners are welcome!

#### World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The 62nd World Day of Prayer for Vocations is **Sunday, May 11.** Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and consecrated life including societies of apostolic life and secular institutes.

At St. Cecilia, in celebration of the day, note cards and current addresses will be available at Donut Sunday on May 4 so you can send a note of appreciation to a few of the priests who have served the parish over the years.

#### Join the Oratory in Praying for our Priests!

This week we are praying for **Fr. James Simons, Fr. Reynaldo Taylor, Fr. Larry Tharpe, Fr. Jedidiah Tritle, Fr. Jim Wedig.** May their lives and ministry bear witness to the mercy and faithfulness of God. Please consider joining in the Rosary especially offered for these Priests at the Oratory each weekday at 11:15, before the 11:45 AM Mass.

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#### SAVE THE DATE!

40TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY & RETIREMENT CELEBRATION of FR. KEN SCHARTZ

Saturday, June 21 | 4 PM Mass

Followed by a reception in Robisch Hall. RSVP and details coming soon.



#### **Two Deacons**

This Sunday, **April 27,** we will celebrate two very special Masses for a transitional deacon and a permanent deacon from our family. **David Homoelle**, who was a seminarian intern for us in 2023-2024, will become a transitional



deacon and will celebrate his first Mass at St. Cecilia at 10:00 AM. St. Mary parishioner **Chris Bergman** will celebrate his first Mass at 10:30 AM at St. Mary. Each deacon will have a reception following his Mass. Chris will be serving as a deacon for our Eastside Catholic family and we are excited to have him on board! Please keep David Homoelle in your prayers as he continues to prepare for his ordination, God willing, the following year.



#### Mary's Garden Plant Sale

Join us on **Saturday and Sunday, May 17 & 18,** in the St. Cecilia rectory side yard for our annual garden sale and support the church! Herbs, vegetables, perennials and more! If you have extra pots or would like to split some of your live plants to donate, please let us know by emailing Kate Malo at kmathers9@gmail.com. We welcome any volunteers who would like to help as well.



The FunFest is celebrating its 50th anniversary this August and we need your help in making it a memorable event! Parishioners are vital to the success of the Bid 'n Buy Booth. Do you have access to sporting tickets, interesting experiences, hard to find items you are willing to donate? If you have a special bottle of bourbon or wine that needs a new home, consider donating it! Gift Cards to popular restaurants, spas, and local shops. If you have an item you would like to donate or questions, please contact Muffy Kadon at mdkadon@gmail.com. Please mark your item "For Bid 'n Buy" and drop off at St. Mary School's front office, the rectory or contact Muffy for pick up.



#### **Riverboat Swing Dance**

The Eastside Catholic Young Adults are throwing a riverboat swing dance party on **Friday, May 9.** Boarding begins at 6:30 PM and departure is at 7 PM, for a cruise on the Ohio River. It's going to be the perfect evening out. Get all dressed up, go out for dinner beforehand, and then come dancing on the riverboat! There will be a cash bar on the boat, as well as some light bites and desserts. Tickets are \$35 per person or \$60 for a couple. It'll be a swing dance to remember, so get your tickets below before they sell out! There are 65 tickets still available which you can purchase at **eastsidefaith.org/** 

riverboat-swing-dance

1 | In Memory of Officer Jones. District 2 police officers recently visited St. Mary School to thank students for their heartfelt notes on the loss of their colleague and our school resource officer, Officer Marcellus Jones. They also shared memorial cards made to honor Officer Jones. We are grateful for their service and friendship with our school. 2 | St. Mary Fish Fry St. Mary had their fish fry on Friday, April11. Another great evening of fish and fellowship. Proceeds from the fry will benefit the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary 8th grade boys and girls scholarships. 3 | Chrism Mass. Every year I look forward to the Chrism Mass and the camaraderie of being with my brother priests. Fr. Alex and I were glad to be with the past vicars – Fr. Jacob Willig and Fr. Anthony Marcelli. Fr. Jason Williams was the MC of the Mass so I wasn't able to get a picture with him. 4-5 | Holy Thursday. Thankful to all of the good and faithful servants who washed the feet of our parishioners on Holy Thursday. 6-8 | Altars of Repose. Each church in our family decorated their altars, as we reposed the body of Jesus on Holy Thursday. The beauty of each altar helps us when we stay and pray after the Mass.















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## The Thomistic Philosophy and Theology of J.R.R. Tolkien Course at the Seminary

This course will examine the influence of St. Thomas Aquinas on the imagination of J.R.R. Tolkien. Taught by esteemed philosophy professor, Deacon Tracy Jamison, this new graduate-level, two-credit course



will meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, **May 27 through June 26**. Students may register for either online or in-person classes and may take the course for credit or on an audit basis. Contact the registrar at 513.233.6118 or registrar@mtsm.org for more information.

#### **Cross the Bridge for Life**

Join thousands of others on Sunday, **June 1** at 1 PM for the annual Cross the Bridge for Life across the Purple People Bridge to raise awareness for the sanctity of human life – born and unborn. All are welcome to participate in this day of family fun and powerful witness. For more information, visit Cross-TheBridgeForLife.org.

#### **Ember Day**

A discernment day for high school boys (sophomores to seniors) will be on **Friday**, **June 6** at Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology. Hosted by Cincinnati seminarians and Fr. Michael Willig. The content will focus on vocation, virtue, priesthood and fatherhood. The schedule will include Mass with Archbishop Schnurr, a tour of the seminary, meals, talks, and sports. Mark your calendars – registration opens soon.



# Cocktails with the Catechism

PRESENTS

#### EXCOMMUNICATION

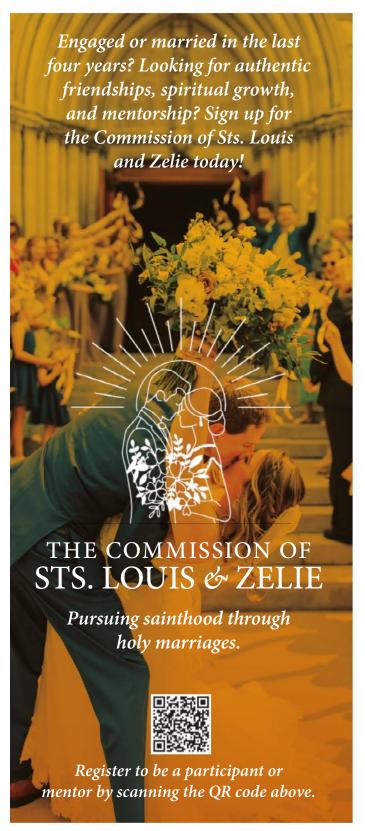
A Clarification on the Truth

What is the purpose of excommunication, and how easy is it to be restored into communion with the Church after being excommunicated? How easy is it to be excommunicated? And is it always a formal process or can it happen in the exact moment that an offense is committed? What are some of the excommunicable offenses? These are only a few of the questions many Catholics and non-Catholics have surrounding this topic that is so often misunderstood. Join Fr. Zach Cecil for a conversation that will bring all these fears and false impressions into the light!

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 | 7–9 PM @ Big Ash Brewing Company



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#### Questions about the Catholic Faith?

Are you, or is someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic? Were you baptized and raised Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation? Maybe you're not sure about converting, but you have questions



that you want answered. Whichever boat you may find yourself in, OCIA is here to help! Submit an inquiry form today using the QR code at left to learn more about the Catholic faith and how to

become a fully initiated member. Remember, if you want to be a sponsor or godparent, this is a canonical requirement that we can help you with!

#### **Marriage Solutions**

If you are having trouble within your marriage, especially if you are considering separation, the Church is here to help you. There is no such thing as Catholic divorce, as marriage is a permanent, unbreakable institution. Even if you think you and your spouse are beyond all reconciliation, there is hope and there is help. Even if you are separated or civilly divorced, your marriage bond is not broken. Please reach out to Deacon Nathan (deaconnathan@stceciliacincinnati. org) for a confidential meeting. Our clergy will either try to help you here, or guide you toward someone who can.

However, there are times when two people have attempted marriage invalidly, have separated, and are in need of the Church's help in order to marry in the future. Catholics who are in this state do not need to refrain from the Sacraments unless they have already attempted marriage again or are in a relationship with a person other than their spouse. If you suspect your prior marriage may be invalid, we can help with the annulment process. Please reach out to Joe Fondacaro at 513-871-5757, ext. 222 for help. All inquiries regarding your current or past marriage are kept in the strictest confidence.

#### **EPIC Dining Out Night**

We invite you to join us for **Dining Out** on **Wednesday, May 14** at El Jinete Mexican Restaurant (3972 Red Bank Road, 45227). We will gather at 4:30 PM for conversation and cocktails followed by dinner. Enjoy a spring evening out with friends. We have a private room. The menu is extensive with lots of delicious choices. The atmosphere is fun, friendly and welcoming. Plenty of parking. Good friends, good food, good drinks guarantee a good time for all. Limit to 30 guests. Food and drink on your own. RSVP no Later than Monday, May 5 to Mary at mlandrum@eastsideregion.org.





The Eastside Catholics' Office of Catechesis and Evangelization is continuing their search for a parttime Sacramental Coordinator who is passionate about

helping young couples schedule and prepare for their weddings and baptisms in our parishes. Interested? See the job posting on the Archdiocese website and reach out to Haley Metzger at hmetzger@ eastsidecatholics.org for more information.





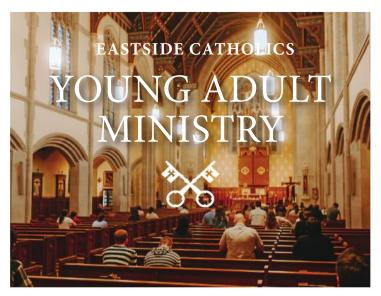
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Questions?

Email MaryBeth: msproull@eastsideregion.org

#### Singles Paint and Sip

This summer, we're changing it up a bit from our traditional speed dating event. We're opting for a more laid back version of what we usually host. Our Paint & Sip will be much more casual, and will give you an opportunity to chat with the other attendees in an organic way. We will start in the courtyard outside Robisch Hall at **St. Mary on June 7 at 6 PM** with drinks and appetizers and a chance to mix and mingle with each other. Then, we'll head inside for the main event. You'll all be sitting at assigned tables while you're guided through a painting — feel free to bring a drink in to sip on while you paint! Everything will be ready for you at your table, so all you'll have to do is roll up your sleeves and paint! It doesn't matter if you've got lots of painting experience, or if you've never painted before in your life. The instructor will be there to walk you through it. It will be a relaxed atmosphere that will give you plenty of chances to chat with others. We encourage you to come — you never know who you'll meet! Registration for this event will open on May 1.



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#### Cana Family Institute Registrations Open!

Do you want to grow in who you are as a woman, wife, and mother? Do you desire strong friendships with other moms? Grow closer to God while meeting with other moms who want the same things as you — to raise great kids and have a strong and fulfilling marriage. Visit canafamilyinstitute.com and select "Eastside Family of Parishes" to join our year-one group! Email Haley Metzger with questions at hmetzger@eastsideregion.org.

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## MASS INTENTIONS & BANNS | 10



AMOR AETERNUS

**WEDDING BANN II** 

Colin Frye & Huyen (Maria) Hoang (STC)

Mass intentions may be requested and paid for online at east-sidecatholics.org, under the "About" section. Masses may also be scheduled at one of our offices. Payment may be made online, in an envelope clearly marked in the collection basket, or in person during office hours. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.

Monday / April 28

9:00 AM (STC) Sister Agatha Fitzgerald +
11:45 AM (OSJV) Darla Faye Abrams +
5:30 PM (STM) Deacon Chris Bergmann (L)

Tuesday / April 29

9:00 AM (STC) Barbra Cherry (L) 11:45 AM (OSJV) Deacon Kraig Gruss (L)

5:30 PM (STM) Ann Butler +

Wednesday / April 30

9:00 AM (STC) Donald Rierson +

11:45 AM (OSJV) James and Marie Medeiros +

5:30 PM (STM) Hammons Family

Thursday / May 1

9:00 AM (STC) Father John Agyekum (L)

11:45 AM (OSJV) Daniel Riehle + 5:30 PM (STM) Ann Butler +

Friday / May 2

9:00 AM (STC) Barbra Cherry (L) 11:45 AM (OSJV) Vestring Family 5:30 PM (STM) No Mass

Saturday / May 3

9:00 AM (STC) Elvira Carrillo (L) 3:00 PM (OSJV) Madeline Miller (L)

3:30 PM (STC) For the Living and Deceased Regional Families

4:00 PM (STM) Steve Bruce +

Sunday / May 4

8:00 AM (STC) John Graf +
8:30 AM (STM) Fred Albrecht +
9:30 AM (OSJV) Frank Mulvaney +

10:00 AM (STC) Martha & Randy McCoy & Family (L)

10:30 AM (STM) Jim Momper + Sue Ann Stickling +

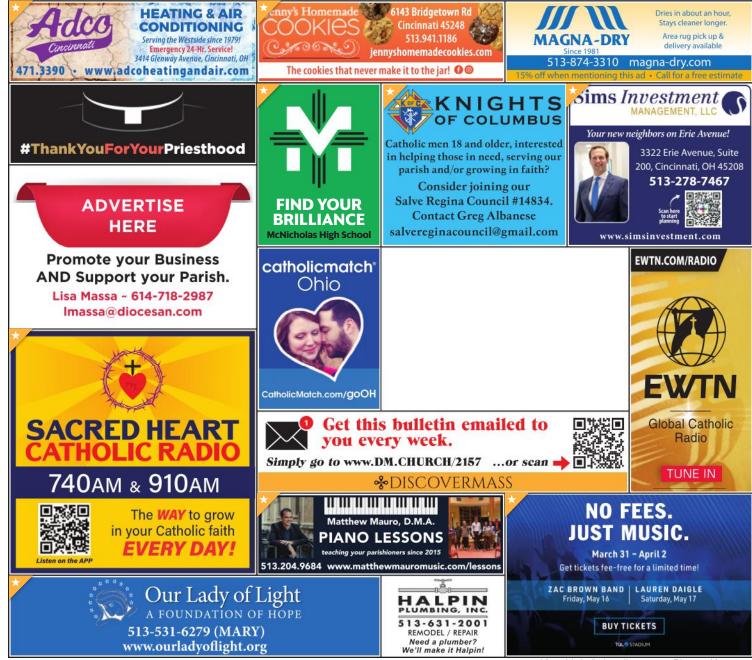
+ Deceased (L) Living



### FINANCIAL OFFERINGS | 11

#### For the week ending April 13, 2025

	St. Cecilia	St. Mary	The Oratory
Offertory	\$10,615.00	\$10,812.00	\$4,089.00
Online	\$7,690.60	\$11,105.00	\$569.31
<b>Total Collection</b>	\$18,305.60	\$21,917.00	\$4,658.31
Avg. Collection	\$19,710.34	\$19,480.00	\$3,311.55
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