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Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

CATHEDRAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Please remember the Cathedral in your Will or Estate plans.
Please call the Parish Office.

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome all newcomers moving into our Parish.
Please register at the Parish Office or after Mass
as soon as possible. If you plan to move from
the Parish, please let us know.



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: 8:15 a.m., Monday through Friday

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 5:30 p.m.

Televised Mass: Sunday 10:00 a.m.

On the CW – Over the air Channel 12-2

Cincinnati Bell Fioptics – Channels 17 or 517

Spectrum: Northern KY – Channel 25

Live Streamed Mass, 4:30 p.m.: covcathedral.com

Holy Day of Obligation:

5:30 p.m. (Vigil, except All Saints); 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Saturday: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Anytime by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office at least one year
before the proposed wedding date.

CATHEDRAL PRAYER NETWORK

Please sign the book in the north entrance.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

To report Sexual Misconduct in the Diocese of Covington,
please contact: Ms. Julie Feinauer, Diocesan Victims'
Assistance Coordinator, 859-392-1500.

**CATHEDRAL BASILICA
OF THE ASSUMPTION
SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025**

Third Sunday of Lent

Reading I: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Responsorial Psalm: 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

From the Rector's Desk ...

"Pilgrims of Hope, Missionaries of Mercy" The 2025 Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal will begin the weekend of April 5-6. This year's theme is "Pilgrims of Hope, Missionaries of Mercy" and it invites us to embody the heart of Christ. By sharing our spiritual and material gifts, we can extend God's love, compassion, and hope to those who suffer. Let us embrace the transformative power of hope and mercy, and work together to build a more just and compassionate world. Please prayerfully consider giving to the 2025 DPAA, review all the materials you receive, and listen to the DPAA messages presented at Mass. Then, come to Mass on April 5 and April 6 ready to make your gift. We will complete our pledge forms together. God bless you for your generosity!

Fr. Maher**The Sixteen Saints 5**

St. Augustine was born November 13, 354 in Tagaste, Numidia now part of Algeria and died August 28, 430 in Hippo also in Algeria which was part of the Roman Empire. He was the bishop of Hippo from 396 to 430, one of the Latin Fathers of the Church and perhaps the most significant Christian thinker after St. Paul. His more important works are *Confessions* (c. 400) and *The City of God* (c. 413-426). His distinctive theological style shaped Latin Christianity in a way surpassed only by Scripture itself. He taught rhetoric in Carthage also in Algeria, then in Milan, Italy, and then returned to the town of his birth. At the age of 36, he was pressed into service as a junior clergyman in Hippo. He was made a presbyter (roughly a priest) in 391 and a bishop in 395 or 396. His writings are replete with quotations indicating his devotion to the Blessed Mother, e.g., "Then at the foot of the Cross He recognized her; yet, He had always known her. Even before He was born of her, He knew his Mother in her predestination. Before He, as God, created her from whom He would be created as man, he knew his Mother." One other popular quote of St. Augustine is: "For you [God] made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you." In his little window, we see St. Augustine holding a flaming heart. Could this be the restless heart seeking rest? May our hearts be restless always seeking rest in God.

*Deacon Jerry Franzen***Public and Homeschool Baccalaureate Mass**

Bishop John Iffert will be celebrating the 2nd Annual Baccalaureate Mass for public school and homeschool families and guests at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica. RSVP by emailing asmorey@covdio.org or call 859-392-1531 by April 9, 2025.

Public Tours of the Cathedral after 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 23 and May 18, 2025.

Easter Flower Offertory Envelopes are due by Sunday, April 6, 2025.

The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption's Saturday, 4:30 Vigil Mass is recorded and broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sunday on The CW. Over the air (antenna) channel 12-2, Cincinnati Bell Fioptics channels 17 or 517, Spectrum-Northern KY channel 25, Spectrum-Hamilton Co. Channel 20 or 1024, and DirectTV 25. The Mass is livestreamed and available to view on covcathedral.com. Support for this ministry comes from Saint Elizabeth Healthcare and the Carol Ann and Ralph V. Haile, Jr. Foundation.

Donate a Bike and Change a Life!

Friends of Pickett's Corner: If you have a bike that you no longer use, please donate it to Pickett's Corner. Each bike makes a significant difference in the lives of those in need. We are happy to pick up the donations and make all the repairs needed. Please email Pickettscorner23@gmail.com and give your name, address and phone number.

Service Day with the Sisters – Sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters, Sisters of Divine Providence, and Sisters of Notre Dame, *Service with the Sisters of the Diocese of Covington* will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 12, 2025. All interested, please gather at Mother of God Church, Covington, and join us as we partner with various agencies to help members of the community-in-need with gardening, working on a house, sorting clothing, helping in an outreach center, and painting. Registration is required. The registration deadline is Friday, April 4, 2025. To register, please call Sister Ruth Lubbers at 859-750-8190.

Footsteps of Faith Forum

The Cathedral Ladies Society is hosting the first ever Footsteps of Faith Forum on April 3 from 6:00-8:00 in the Covington Latin School forum. Several parishioners will share their experiences traveling on pilgrimage to Greece, Italy, the Holy Land and Medjugorje. It is an evening to share our faith through stories, enjoy fellowship, and to learn more about the experience of pilgrimage. Light refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP using the QR code or stop by the Greeter's desk to sign up.

**An Invitation from Prince of Peace Catholic School**

Join us for our **Open House from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., April 1, 2025**, and experience a school where faith and learning grow together!

At **Prince of Peace Catholic School**, we are committed to nurturing a love for learning and the joy of discovery, helping students build inner discipline, self-confidence, and respect for themselves, others, and the world around them. Through academic excellence and a commitment to service, we guide children in sharing their faith and developing a strong foundation for a faith-filled future. Come tour our classrooms, meet our dedicated teachers, and see firsthand how we inspire young hearts and minds. 625 W. Pike Street, Covington.

Questions? Call 859-431-5153 or visit popcov.com. We look forward to welcoming your family!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, March 29, 2025

4:30 p.m. Lector: Donna Krumpelman
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
 Larry Andrzejewski, Estelle Fischer,
 Connor Hennessey,
 Lisa Wilder, Ken Wolford
 Altar: Mike O'Donnell

Sunday, March 30, 2025

7:30 a.m. Lector: Geri Harpen
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Hope Cavaleri,
 Maria McBride
 Altar: Ken Vieth, Mel Mueller

10:00 a.m. Lector: Erick Vail
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Brett Bauereis,
 Any Engelman, Tonya Ford,
 Debi Madrigal, Dave Otte, Marie Tobler
 Altar: Carl Creech, Dan Fletcher,
 Jose Madrigal, Paul Pfeiffer

5:30 p.m. Lector: Katie Baker
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Toni Akers,
 Joel Baker, Heather Bay,
 Linda Mintkenbaugh, Maria Weller
 Altar: Jim Akers, Josh Rohling



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 22

4:30 p.m. Intention of Tom Klopp

Sunday, March 23

7:30 a.m. Rebecca Sexton
 10:00 a.m. Mary Ann Shields
 5:30 p.m. Cathedral Parishioners and Benefactors

Monday, March 24

8:15 a.m. Gary Brock

Tuesday, March 25

8:15 a.m. Intention of the Younan Family

Wednesday, March 26

8:15 a.m. Intention of Marlene Ciszewski

Thursday, March 27

8:15 a.m. Intention of Frances and Katu

Friday, March 28

8:15 a.m. Carol Besl

Saturday, March 29

4:30 p.m. Lawrence Strassburger

Sunday, March 30, Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Intention of Timothy and Alexandra
 10:00 a.m. Intention of Mark Trischler
 5:30 p.m. Cathedral Parishioners and Benefactors

IMPORTANT – Every family registered in the parish should receive the free weekly mailing of *The Messenger*. If you have not been receiving it, please call the Parish Office at 859-431-2060.

Please pray for our parishioners and family: Donna Krumpelman, John Walcutt, Maria Weller, Cathi Bleile, Janice Northcutt, Mary Beth Peavler, Jim Albright, Ralph Pranger, Josh Rohling, Joan and Ralph Arnsparger, Ken Raisbeck, Neil Blunt, Berry Mang, the Juilf Family, Gerry Zembrodt, Alissa Light, Wladyslawa Balaban, Theresa Goeke, Sharon Koenig, Madeleine Smith, William Davin, Amy Michels, Michael Trimpe, Terri Beuttel, Geraldine Hallahan, Hannah Tolson, Helen Fehr, Amy Goeke, Joan McGearty, Jill Humphries, Barb Armstrong, Marion Keen, and Vicki Smith. May they find comfort in the healing touch of Jesus.

Estate Planning

For your protection and security of your family and heirs, consult an attorney about making out your Will. While reviewing your estate plan, please consider including the Cathedral Endowment Fund. Please contact Finance Council Chair Rick Lehman about the Cathedral Endowment Fund, at 859-431-2060.

Help after Abortion

Our past decisions can leave us feeling messy. God is bigger than any of our messes. Don't let this keep you from His love and forgiveness. Project Rachel can help. Contact: projectrachel@covdio.org or 859-392-1547. All communication is confidential.

Care of the Sick

If you know of a parishioner who is in a hospital or care center who would like a visit from the parish clergy, please call the Parish Office. We rely on family or friends to let us, know when someone is in a hospital.

Collection for Sunday, March 2, 2025

Envelopes (87)	\$9,583.25
Loose	\$3,099.00
Diocesan	<u>\$3,115.39</u>
Total	\$15,797.64

Thank you!

E-Giving at the Cathedral – For information, please visit our website: www.covcathedral.com.

Are You Made For More?

You are invited to an information session from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., April 2, 2025, at St. Pius X Parish, Edgewood. Colleen O'Hara, coordinator of volunteer engagement with Mustard Seed Communities will discuss mission work abroad and how you can be involved. To register or for information, please email: stpiuswomensmission@gmail.com

Stations of the Cross at the Cathedral – 6:30 p.m., Fridays, through April 11, 2025, and at 12:00 p.m. on Good Friday, April 18, 2025.

Save the Date – Lenten Pilgrimage to Five Covington Churches

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 12, 2025. For information, visit: www.covdio.org/lenten-pilgrimage

Weekly Rosary: Thursdays after 8:15 a.m. Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

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