SS. Edward & Lucy Parish

Clustered with St. Helen Church

St. Edward

16150 Center St. Parkman, OH

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM

Adoration

Monday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

St. Lucy

16280 East High St. Middlefield, OH

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6:30 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Adoration

Thursday: 1:00 - 6:00 PM

Weekday Mass Times @ St. Edward in the Chapel

Monday: 6:00 PM Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 AM

Confession @ St. Edward Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

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We honor the saints in heaven this Sunday. The "cloud of witnesses" intercede for us and love to help. We tend to picture heaven, purgatory, earth, and hell as something like a multi-level apartment complex (*don't go to the basement*...hell). Artwork, stories, visions and so forth all add to this tiered visualization of life after death and our interaction with those who've gone before us. The interaction of the saints in our daily lives reveals a more complicated picture. Proof of a miracle through a blessed person's intercession often accompanies the formal process of canonization to sainthood. For someone to be confirmed as a saint in heaven, from the Church's perspective, that departed person will continue to "interact" - one might say - with those living on earth. A saint will therefore carry on the ministry of the Kingdom of God even after death; think of poor Saint Anthony of Padua finding everyone's remote controls, car keys, and cell phones. This provides a window into God the Father's Heart which desires our salvation and well-being. Not only this, but the Church's understanding of the intercession of the saints and their power to effect healing, miracles, and help reveals that God wants the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow from a place of communion. Grace for conversion, healing, deliverance, etc. all flow from within the communion of the Mystical Body of Christ, and lead to deeper union through Jesus, by the Holy Spirit, to God the Father. Perhaps a colloquial way to put it would be: our salvation is a "family business." Our journey of faith does not draw us into isolation, but an abiding communion with the Church on earth, in Purgatory, and Heaven. Angels and saints care about what and who God cares about, i.e. you and all of creation. This divine revelation to the Church through sacred Scripture and Tradition allows us to enjoy our faith even more deeply. When we pray, we join the angels and saints in prayer. When we serve, heaven is at work with us. When alone or with others, the cloud of witnesses desires to be a part of our story. Who's the saint who has inspired you? Who is the saint you ask for help like any other friend in your life? Their love of God draws them closer to you, not further away. Heaven isn't stacked on top of earth, tucked away in a gated community, unconcerned with our problems; rather, the communion that is heaven - with the Holy Trinity - has permeated our lives through Jesus Christ. All you holy angels and saints of God, pray for us!

On the evening of November 2nd we will have a Mass of Remembrance **at Saint Lucy's** at 6:00PM. The Fatima Novena is not planned for after this Mass. As we thank God for all the saints on November 1st, we lift up all those departed on November 2nd while trusting in the mercy of Jesus. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

God bless you,
Fr. Jacob

Be part of the audience for one or both televised tapings of the globally broadcast show *Living Right with Dr. Ray* on **November 10, beginning at 5:30 p.m.** at the Barrette and Business Community Center on the campus of Walsh University. Be part of an inspiring evening filled with meaningful conversations about grief, faith, and family. **Admission is free, but registration is required!** Seating is reserved for registered attendees, so be sure to save your spot. To reserve your seat for one or both tapings, please email **molly.romano@yahoo.com**. We look forward to welcoming you!

The daily Mass Record for 2027 is open. Please contact the office to schedule a mass for next year. There are a few 2026 masses available as well.

We are limiting everyone to 10 mass requests at a time for the first half of the year. We thank you for your understanding.

KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS PREGNANT? SCARED? NEEDS HELP? CALL BIRTHRIGHT (440) 286-9711

SS. EDWARD & LUCY PRAYER LINE: Call Rebecca 330-389-0728 or email prayer request to Rebbanne@gmail.com.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 31 Saturday Vigil
5:00pm Aaron Wolfram and Anna Blouir/Wolfram Family
6:30pm Frank & Regina Fritz/Adrienne Fritz
Sunday, November 1 Sunday
8:30am Pro Popolo
10:30am Lloyd Elko/Elko Family
Monday, November 2 Weekday
6:00pm All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Tuesday, November 3 Weekday
8:00am All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Wednesday, November 4 Weekday
8:00am All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Thursday, November 5 Weekday
8:00am All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Friday, November 6 Weekday
8:00am All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Saturday, November 7 Saturday Vigil
5:00pm All Souls Day Novena Intentions
6:30pm All Souls Day Novena Intentions
Sunday, November 8 Sunday
8:30am All Souls Day Novena Intentions
10:30am All Souls Day Novena Intentions

10/18 Weekly Collection	St. Edward	St. Lucy
Saturday Collection	$1368.00	$983.00
Sunday Collection	$1795.00	$2246.22
Restricted Donations	$275.00	$210.00

Thank you for you generosity and supporting our parish!

Weekly Schedule of Events:

Monday:
10:00 am - 6:00 pm Adoration E - Chapel
6:00 pm Mass of Remembrance L

Tuesday:
8:30 am Rosary Group E - Chapel
6:30 pm OCIA L

Wednesday:
6:30 pm Youth Group E
6:30 pm Bible Study E

Thursday:
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Adoration L
2:00 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle L
6:30 pm Sisters in Christ L

Friday:
8:30 am First Friday Devotions E - Chapel
2:00 pm Bible Study L
6:00 pm Encounter School of Healing L

Saturday:
9:00 am Encounter School of Healing L
7:30 pm Praise and Worship L

Sunday:
8:00 am Rosary Before Mass E
9:00 am Sacramental Classes
10:00 am Rosary Before Mass L

Youth Group

Our youth group will be meeting this Wednesday, November 4th from 6:30 to 8pm at St. Edward in Parkman. All 6th-12th grade students are welcome to attend!

Can you pray for our teenagers? Prayer is the most important thing our parish can offer our teenagers. There are envelopes available at the entrance of each church with prayer cards inside that has the name of one of our teenagers on it. Please pick one up and pray for that teenager by name. You will never know the difference your prayers can make in their life!

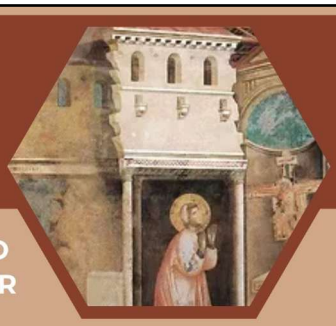
OCIA

OCIA will be meeting this Tuesday, November 3rd and will be covering the Holy Spirit. All are welcome to attend, whether you are Catholic or non-Catholic, practicing the faith or have questions about it. We will meet from 6:30 to 7:30pm at St. Lucy.

Sacramental Classes

All First Communion and Confirmation students have class next Sunday, November 8 from 9am to 10:30am at St. Lucy in Middlefield.

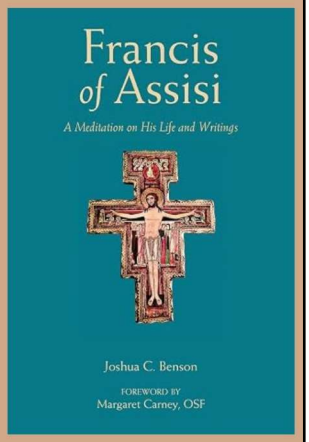
DEEPENING PRAYER WITH ST. FRANCIS



ARE YOU LOOKING TO DEEPEN YOUR PRAYER LIFE?

During this Jubilee Year of St. Francis, we will deepen our prayer lives through studying the life and writings of St. Francis. Please join us in the meeting room at **St. Edward** after Monday evening Mass (6pm) and the Rosary at approximately **7:15pm on November 9, December 7, and January 11.**

All are welcome! You do not need to attend every meeting - come whenever you are able.



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HOLY LAND GIFTS

Bulletin Announcement

After all the Masses on October 31,&November first , 2026

There will be a display of handmade articles for sale, including nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, depictions of the Last Supper, and many other beautiful religious items.

Because of the ongoing conflict in the region, many Christian families in Bethlehem are struggling to make ends meet. Holy Land Gifts represents over 100 Christian families who make their living selling traditional olivewood handcrafts and religious articles. When you purchase one of these beautiful gifts, you help artisans in the Holy Land provide for their families and live and work with dignity in a region fraught with tension.

Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the Holy Land of Jesus' birth.

May God Bless You

Suhair Musleh **(330) 979-5523**

giftsofjerusalem.com

ENCOUNTER

AKRON CAMPUS

SCHOOL OF HEALING

2-DAY WEEKEND SCHOOL & HEALING SERVICE

NOV. 6-7

"...they will lay hands on the sick & they will recover." - Mark 16:18

Saint Lucy 16280 E. High St., Middlefield, OH 44062

Jesus promised, "These signs will accompany those who believe...They will lay hands on the sick and they will recover." (Mark 16:17) Jesus has called us to do what he did, and that includes healing the sick. The event is a two-day conference to teach, impart and activate Christians to be a more effective minister of Jesus' healing in the world! Are you going to give him the chance?

SESSIONS *Faithful to Catholic Teaching.*

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	THEOLOGY OF HEALING	ROLE OF FAITH & PRAYER MODEL FOR HEALING	OVERCOMING DISCOURAGEMENT & UNDERSTANDING IMPARTATION	THE POWER OF PEACE	HEALING SERVICE*
					This session is free & open to the public

Training Includes:

- Praise & Worship
- Powerful Sessions
- Opportunities to pray for and receive prayer for physical healing

encounterschool.org/akron

Friday, November 6
6:00pm - 9:00pm

Saturday, November 7
9:00am - 5:00pm

Healing Service*
November 7 @ 7:30pm
*This portion is free and open to the public

TAKE THE LEAP, START YOUR HEAP

COMPOSTING 101

PRESENTED BY THE
CATHOLIC LAND MOVEMENT
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
GEAUGA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Composting is an easy, economic, and essential practice that everyone can do to convert organic waste from our yards and kitchens into nutrient-rich soil. Join Gail Prunty, Geauga Soil & Water Education Specialist to discuss composting basics and benefits, different composting methods, and how to avoid common composting problems. Participants will have the chance to win a free kitchen compost pail!

NOV 16, 2026
FELLOWSHIP: 6PM
PRESENTATION: 6:30-7:30PM

CLARIDON WOODLANDS PARK BUILDING
11383 CLARIDON TROY RD
CHARDON, OH 44024

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COMPOST

Text or call (440) 506-3245 to RSVP or get more information.

Celebrate Ohio Soil Health Week 2026!

St. Anselm Women's Guild Annual Christmas Boutique, Saturday, November 14, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 13013 Chillicothe Road, Chesterland (Rt. 306, just south of Rt. 322), featuring handcrafted items by over 80 area craftsmen for your holiday decorating and gift giving. There will also be a Bake Sale, Snack Bar, and Prize Raffle with many prizes. $1.00 admission. For further information call Shirley at (216) 832-5158.

For the Week of November 1, 2026

Sunday	**Solemnity of All Saints** Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Monday	**The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls)** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
Tuesday	Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday	**Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop** Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday	Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time** Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

Franciscan Saints for the Month of November

November 7 - St. Didacus of Alcalá (c. 1400–1463), also known as San Diego, was a Spanish Franciscan lay brother renowned for his humility, charity, and devotion to the poor.

He was born in San Nicolás del Puerto, Spain, and spent his early life as a hermit and then as a member of the Franciscan Order. Though he had little formal education, he was known for his deep prayer and wisdom. He served as a missionary in the Canary Islands and later held humble positions in Franciscan communities, including caring for the sick and serving as a porter.

Didacus was especially devoted to the Eucharist and to the Virgin Mary. Accounts of his life describe numerous acts of charity and miracles, including healing the sick. During a serious illness in Alcalá de Henares, he died on November 12, 1463, holding a crucifix and reciting a hymn to Mary.

He was canonized in 1588 by Pope Sixtus V, becoming the first Franciscan lay brother to be formally canonized. St. Didacus is remembered as a model of humility, penitence, compassionate service, and faithfulness in ordinary religious life.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we celebrate the saints who live in glory, and the vast number of people who have gone before us in the Christian life as “works in progress.” Reading any saint’s biography, you quickly become aware that they were persons singularly aware of their faults and sins, their human propensity to miss the mark. Penance is a recurring theme in their lives, and many found a “confessor” who coached them in the spiritual life.

Today, a new form of penance can coach us in our journey, because the setting is an assembly of the faithful. In this form, there is time given for people who wish to confess and be absolved to meet privately with a priest for a few moments. Before the community is dismissed, everyone joins in an act of praise for God’s mercy, usually by singing a hymn together. The individual part is not compulsory, and you can certainly participate fully and fruitfully without the individual confession. The joy of this liturgy is itself an impetus to change and to open up more fully to this wonderful gift of our faith. You have already been forgiven, of course. That was accomplished for you on the cross. It is the Christian task to open ourselves up, as did the saints, to the reality of that gift.—Rev. James Field