

DAILY SCRIPTURE and MASS INTENTION

Monday, January 27

Mass 7:00 a.m.
Readings Dorothy Van Oss
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Dan and Shirley Russ
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 28

Mass Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest
and Doctor of the Church
Readings 8:30 a.m.
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Betty Burns
Mk 3:31-35 Jim and Mary Sroga

Wednesday, January 29

Mass 7:00 a.m.
Readings Kathy Vavroch
2 Sm 7:4-17 Ann Persensky
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 30

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Readings Caroline Lutz
2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 Knights of Columbus Council #7981
Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 31

Mass 7:00 a.m.
Readings Edward O'Meara
2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Bert and Al Phillips
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, February 1

Mass 5:30 p.m.
Readings Joe Brubaker
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 The Dranchak Family
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, February 2

Masses The Presentation of the Lord
Readings 8:00 a.m.
Mal 3:1-4 Dorothy Van Oss
Heb 2:14-18 Ellen Sisk
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 Janet Walker
Duane and Lisa Johnson
12:00 p.m.
For The Parish

END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENTS: If you would like an end of year contribution statement or have not received one, email the church office at chilbert@saintlukeparish.org or call 937-426-1733 x201.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: Parishioners who have not received a new packet of offering envelopes should contact the church office at 426-1733 x201. Please help keep our data base current by contacting us with changes to your registration information. Thank you for your help.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

January 18 and January 19 - Week # 30

Regular

\$ 17,316.77
\$ 715,976.78

Weekend Total - Week # 30
Yearly Total - Week # 30

Total Holy Days

\$ 25.00
\$ 266.00
\$ 69,999.40

Christmas
Solemnity of Mary
Total Holy Days - Week # 30

Regular & Holy Days

\$ 785,976.18

Total Week - # 30

Budgeted

\$ 26,614.08
\$ 798,422.40

Each Weekend - Weeks # 1-52
Total Budget through Week # 30

Non-Parish Collection (s)

\$ 30.00
\$ 30.00

St. Vincent
Aid to Eastern Europe

Parish Capital Debt Reduction-Third Sunday

\$ 6,563.5300
\$ 68,609.53
\$ 709,613.89

Total - January 18 and January 19
Total Through Week # 30
Debt Principle as of 1/5/14
Debt Retirement 2018

FYI: \$1,473 '13 annual cost of fire-protection monitoring / inspection (alarms and extinguishers) for the parish and school.

PRAY FOR THEM

**FOR OUR MILITARY FAMILY MEMBERS
DEPLOYED IN COMBAT AREAS**

"Lord, protect our military as they sacrifice for us; bless them and their families for their continuing selflessness."

Please remember, with prayers, our military members - especially those deployed in combat areas.

USAF CAPT BRENDAN MCQUOWN-AFGHANISTAN-01/2014
USAF LT COL JEFFREY KUHN-AFGHANISTAN-03/2014
USAF CAPT NICHOLAS KREITINGER-MIDDLE EAST-03/2014
USAF CAPT KEVIN NORMILE-AFGHANISTAN-04/2014
USAF SGT LUCAS WOOD-AFGHANISTAN-04/2014
WILLIAM D. MCCALL-6th TOUR AFGHANISTAN-06/2014
ARMY CONTRACTOR
USN CWO3 ROBERT KEUCHER-AFGHANISTAN-12/2014

If you would like to have a family member, who is currently deployed (military or civilian), listed in the bulletin for prayer, please call the parish office.



WELCOME TO ST. LUKE PARISH: Please register with us! Come to the church office or call 937-426-1733 x201. We are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. You can also find registration forms on our parish website at www.saintlukeparish.org. Place them in the offering basket or return to the church office.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2014 will be held at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton, on Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. for those in parishes located in Mercer, Auglaize, Logan, Shelby, Darke, Miami, Clark, Champaign, Preble, Montgomery and Greene counties. Bishop Joseph R. Binzer will be the principal celebrant. For an invitation to the Mass, call the parish office at 426-1733 x201, no later than Friday, March 1, 2014.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY SCROLLS: All couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th or 75th wedding anniversary during 2014 are eligible for the Archbishop's Wedding Anniversary Scroll. To receive a scroll from Saint Luke parish, please call the parish office at 426-1733 x201 to acknowledge your anniversary.

ST LUKE PARISH RESOURCE: The St. Luke Parish Resource Center is located in the Jansen Center. Catholic books, references, periodicals, and catechetical materials are available. In addition to CDs, videos, and DVDs on a variety of religious topics, many other materials are available at no fee to St. Luke parishioners. The Jansen Center is located behind the church and is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Please call 426-1733, extension 301 for further information.

PARKING LOT REMINDERS: Parishioners are reminded that parking spaces on the circular North Fairfield Road driveway on weekends and holy days are for elderly and handicapped individuals who experience distance as a real obstacle to coming to church. For safety reasons, there is no parking along the access road from Fairfield Road to the Bishop Ford Hall, this is a fire lane. Your assistance is appreciated.

CHURCH LOST AND FOUND: The church lost and found is located in the usher's closet off the gathering space. All unclaimed items are donated to charity.

PERMANENT DEACON INTEREST: Have you ever thought about or feel that you are being called to serve the Church as a permanent deacon? It takes a minimum of 5 years to complete all of the requirements in order to be ordained. You don't have to be a college graduate. Training and classes are offered on weekends. A person can be retired or working, but you can't be older than 69 years by the time of ordination. Any male, married or single, 35 years of age or older can apply. If you would like more information, please see any deacon before or after Mass or call Deacon Gerry Dupree at 426-1733 ext 304 or Deacon Bill LeCain at 426-1733 ext 203.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or living in an assisted care facility who would like to receive Holy Communion on a recurring basis, please contact the Jansen Center at 426-1733 x 301.

SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY

"Christ has no hands or feet on earth but ours..."
St Teresa of Avila

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SVDP COLLECTION: This weekend is the last weekend of January. Members of the St. Luke St. Vincent de Paul Society will be in the church gathering space after all Masses to receive your monetary donations. Your continued generosity is appreciated!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society **ST. LUKE ST VINCENT DE PAUL "IS HERE FOR ALL":** Anyone can experience hardships. Saint Luke SVdP may be able to provide suggestions and/or financial resources to help you. Through SVdP donations church members help both parishioners and community members. Please do not hesitate to use these resources for yourself or suggest us to others. Inquiries are held in strictest confidence. Please call 426-1733, extension 232 to access the St. Luke St. Vincent de Paul helpline.

USHERS: One of the many ways that you can become more involved in the Mass is to volunteer to be an usher. If you don't mind helping people find a seat, taking up the collection, directing the flow of people at communion time, and handing out the church bulletin, then we have a place for you. To volunteer, please call the Jansen Center at 426-1733 ext 301, or Deacon Bill LeCain at 426-1733 ext 203, or Deacon Gerry Dupree at 426-1733 ext 304.

ST LUKE PARISH BOOK OF PRAYER: The St. Luke Parish Book of Prayer is located in the church under the Saint Luke icon. It has blank pages for every day of the year. Parishioners are invited to write their special prayers of petition in this book. We remember all of these written intentions in our general intercessions at weekend Masses.

HELP FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Do you have a tough time hearing during Mass? Help is here! We have four hearing assistance devices available that are very simple to use. Put an ear bud in one of your ears and you will be hearing the priest, choir, and lectors more clearly. Speak with one of the ushers prior to the beginning of Mass to check out one of these units.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION
*opportunities to sustain and grow as faithful
witnesses to the Good News of Jesus*

ST LUKE HAPPENINGS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS—WATCH FOR DETAILS

EPIC Church History Study—begins February 4
By *What Authority* book read—begins February 4
Ash Wednesday—March 5
RCIA Rite of Sending/Election—March 9
Prayer book read—begins March 12
RCIA Retreat—April 12

+ **RCIA** Are you, or someone you know, interested in the Catholic Faith? Did you know that a person can inquire at any time throughout the year about becoming Catholic, with no commitment beyond the interest of finding out more about what we believe and how it impacts our lives? If you simply need to be confirmed, arrangements can be made to prepare you for that sacrament as well. Call Barbara at 937-426-1733 x305 or bmurray@saintlukeparish.org, to learn more.

+ **Online Retreat Opportunity** Ever wanted to make a retreat but didn't have time or weren't sure what a retreat would require of you? Here's a unique opportunity to experience a retreat in the comfort of your own home. Karee Santos will offer a marriage enrichment retreat, *Looking for Ways to Make Marriages Stronger?*, on February 3, 4, 10, 11. For more info, visit the Can We Cana? marriage support blog at <http://canwecana.blogspot.com> or email Karee with questions at santoskaree@gmail.com.

+ **EPIC: A Journey Through Church History** is a 20-week study of exploration and understanding of over 2,000 years of the history of the Catholic Church. Part one, 10 weeks, will be held in Jansen West, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., beginning on Tuesday, February 4 and concluding on April 8, 2014. Facilitator: Beth Lang-Sletten. Cost of materials: \$30.00 (for all 20 weeks). Please register by January 24: call the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733 x301 or email tsmith@saintlukeparish.org.

+ **Book read with Sr. Chris Bartsch** *By What Authority?: A Primer on Scripture, the Magisterium, and the Sense of the Faithful* by Richard R. Gaillardetz. Chapter topics include Scripture and Tradition, understanding the Magisterium, dogma and doctrine, and the roles of the Pope and Bishops. This study group will meet on Thursdays in Jansen West from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. on February 6, 13, 20, 27 and March 6, 13, 27 (will not meet March 20) and April 3, 10. Cost for the book is \$10.00. Please register: call the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733 x301 or email tsmith@saintlukeparish.org.

+ **Lenten Prayer Study** Join with fellow parishioners to explore Fr. Ronald Rolheiser's book, *Prayer: Our Deepest Longing* during the five Wednesdays of Lent...March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9. We will meet in Jansen West from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. Discussion will be facilitated by Barbara Murray. Cost for the book is \$5.00. Please register: call the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733 x301 or email tsmith@saintlukeparish.org.

+ **February 8 Designated as Day to Pray for Victims of Human Trafficking** The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Committee on Migration designated February 8 as an annual day of prayer for survivors and victims of human trafficking. More information on the work of USCCB's Anti-Trafficking Program is available at: www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program/.

+ **Son of God To Be Released on February 28, 2014** On February 28, 2014, the film "Son of God" will be released by the makers of "The Bible" series, Roma Downey and Mark Burnett. This is a 2 hour and 15 minute feature film showing Jesus' miracles and mission, His death and the beauty and hope of His resurrection. The trailer can be viewed at www.sonofgodmovie.com

+ **Consistent Ethic of Life Conference** is being sponsored by the Archdiocese and will be held March 15 in the Kennedy Union at the University of Dayton. Catechists will be able to obtain credit for attending. For more information please call or email Pam Long at 937-224-3026 or plong@catholiccincinnati.org.

+ **AREA OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH, 2014:**

St. Meinrad Archabbey (800-581-6905 or www.saintmeinrad.org)

- Be Angry But Do Not Sin—February 7-9
- Love Is Here To Stay—February 14-16
- Personal Prayer—February 24-26
- A Beginner's Guide to Understanding the Psalms—March 7-9
- Preparing for Easter—March 11-13

Spiritual Center of Maria Stein (419-925-7625 or www.spiritualcenter.net)

- Evening to Celebrate Marriage—February 15
- Pre-Cana retreat for engaged couples—March 15
- Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission—April 13
- Spring Day of Reflection—May 8

Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford (513-248-3500 or www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com)

- Seasons of Life Women's Retreat—March 21-23
- Holy Week Retreat—April 17-19
- Recovery Retreat for Men—May 9-11
- Personally Directed Retreats—May 16, June 13, July 11, August 1

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*For the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
(January 26, 2014)*

"At once they left their nets and followed him." Could you be like Simon Peter and Andrew and leave what you are doing and everything you have to follow Jesus? Could you venture into the unknown trusting Jesus? Does it even seem possible? Take some prayer time this week to imagine your life as a follower of Jesus. What would be possible for you to give up today in order to follow Jesus more fully?

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Night Youth Ministry 6th-12th Grade, through May 18

Sunday Night Youth Ministry Schedule:

January 26	Youth Ministry from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. in BFH
February 2	No Youth Ministry—Confirmation Mass Please come to the Mass and join in the Sacrament celebration at 4:00 p.m.
February 9	Youth Ministry from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. in BFH
February 16	Youth Ministry from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. in BFH
February 23	Youth Ministry from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. in BFH
March 2	Youth Ministry from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
March 9	No Youth Ministry

High School Retreat

March 7-9, 2014

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

What: Faith formation program using a lectionary based catechesis in which the Sunday Gospel with the pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer, are introduced and reinforced each year to build age-appropriate faith.

Who: Youth grades 1 - 12

When: Wednesdays 4:15 – 5:30 p.m. for Grades 1 – 8 in the school building
Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. for Grades 1 – 12 in the school building, HS in the Youth Room
Sundays 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. Grade 8 only Jansen Center

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

What and Who: Saint Luke's Early Childhood Program, for children ages 3 through 5, is designed to support parents in the education of their young children in the Catholic faith. Children learn about God and their friendship with Jesus through crafts, games, prayers, stories, scripture, and songs. Christian values and attitudes are taught and children experience fellowship and fun.

When: Sunday 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. through April 6, 2014

HERE AT SAINT LUKE

VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children Sessions” on the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Decree on Child Protection: All employees and regular volunteers in the Archdiocese who have contact with children are required to be trained or re-trained using VIRTUS® materials (**regardless of previous training**). St. Luke will host its monthly session on Tuesday, **February 18th**. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. To register or for a list of available training dates in the area, go to www.virtusonline.org. If you have questions contact Bruce Guindon at 937-426-1733 x 202 or bguindon@saintlukeparish.org.

LIGHT WEIGH, ONE KING MORNING MEETINGS: Are you constantly struggling with your weight and feeling like food controls you? The *Light Weigh* Bible Study and DVD series has freed thousands of people from chronic dieting and obesity, and helped many to improve their health. It has helped many conquer eating disorders and stabilize blood sugar levels. *Light Weigh* teaches you to eat real food and provides support, friendship, encouragement and caring. Our *Light Weigh* meetings are held Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in Jansen Center. For more information, call Kathy at (937) 429-0241.



THE 2014 ST. LUKE GOLF OUTING will be held Monday, April 28, 2014 at the Walnut Grove Country Club. The event will be a 4 person scramble so get your team ready! Details to follow. Any questions, please contact Kimi Blaschak at Kimi47b@aol.com or 830-2283.

2014 ST. LUKE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: The Boosters are looking for a few “gently used” artificial Christmas trees and Christmas decorations to restock the “Treasures from the Attic” booth for next year’s Bazaar. If you plan to upsize or downsize in the near future and have a “gently used” artificial Christmas tree or decorations that won’t be quite right for the new space, please think about the Booster’s when you are taking down your decorations at the end of this Christmas season. Trees can be dropped off at Jansen Center and a donation receipt can be provided. Please identify your item as a donation for the Boosters. Arrangements can be made for trees to be picked up, if necessary. Please call Darrell Schimmoller at 405-7938 if you have any questions.

VBS 2014: SAVE THE DATE!

We have set the date for the 2014 St. Luke's Vacation Bible School. It will be June 23-27 in the mornings from 9:30 a.m. - noon (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) with June 25 (Wednesday) program being in the evening. The whole family is welcome that Wednesday from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. and this will include a community dinner. Vacation Bible School is designed for 3 1/2 year olds (who turned 3 by September 30 of the previous year) to fifth graders. We are in need of a great many volunteers, both adults and youth (6th grade and up) in order to have this run smoothly. Please consider participating in this meaningful event. More information will be forthcoming this spring.



In Our Parish

Sunday, January 26, 2014

PSR 8th Grade Classes in Jansen Center East (9:45 - 11:00 AM)
Early Childhood Program - Gym, School (9:45 - 11:30 AM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (1:00 - 6:00 PM)
PSR Confirmation Interviews in Jansen East & Rose (1:30 - 4:00 PM)
PSR in Jansen Center West (1:30 - 4:00 PM)
CYO Basketball Practice in Gym (6:00 - 7:15 PM)
Sunday Night Youth Ministry in BFH, YR, and Gym (6:00 - 8:30 PM)

Monday, January 27, 2014

Sewing Guild Artist Meeting in Kramer Hall (9:30 - 12:00 PM)
School Science Fair Set up - Gym, Parish Center (starting 2:00 PM)
School Rosary Club in Parish Center (3:00 - 4:30 PM)
School 8th Grade Musical in Gym (3:00 - 4:30 PM)
Brownie Troop #31648 GS Meeting in Jansen West (3:00 - 5:00 PM)
School Extension in BFH, Gym, Backgrounds (3:00 - 5:30 PM)
Little Flowers Meeting in Jansen Center East (3:15 - 4:45 PM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (5:30 - 9:30 PM)
Cub Scout Pack #85 Meeting in Parish Center (6:00 - 9:00 PM)
AFF Threshold Bible Study in Kramer Hall (7:00 - 8:30 PM)
Boy Scouts #85 Meeting in Bishop Ford Hall (7:00 - 8:30 PM)
Al-Anon Family Group in Jansen Center East (7:30 - 8:30 PM)
Men's Volleyball in Gym (9:00 - 11:00 PM)

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

School Science Fair - Gym, Parish Center (8:00 AM - 3:00 PM)
Women of Faith Bible Study in Kramer Hall (9:30 - 11:30 AM)
Pastoral Staff Meeting in Jansen Center Rose (10:00 - 12:00 PM)
Leisure Club Board Meeting in Jansen Center East (1:00 - 3:00 PM)
School Extension in BFH, Gym, Backgrounds (3:00 - 5:30 PM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (5:30 - 9:30 PM)
Science Fair Open House- Gym, Parish Center, School (6:00 - 7:00 PM)
Adult Faith Formation Committee in Jansen East (7:00 - 9:00 PM)

Wednesday, January 29, 2014

Maintenance Meeting in Church Conference Room (9:00 - 10:00 AM)
School 8th Grade Musical in Gym (3:00 - 4:30 PM)
School Extension in BFH, Gym, Backgrounds (3:00 - 5:30 PM)
PSR Classes in School (4:15 - 8:15 PM)
Alter Server Training in Church (5:30 - 7:00 PM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (5:30 - 9:30 PM)
PSR-High School in Bishop Ford Hall and YR (7:00 - 8:15 PM)
SCC Weekly Bible Study in Jansen Center East (7:00 - 9:00 PM)
Light Weigh One King Meeting in Jansen West (7:00 - 9:00 PM)

Thursday, January 30, 2014

School 8th Grade Musical in Gym (7:15 - 7:45 AM)
Light Weigh One King Meeting in Jansen West (11:00 AM - 1:30 PM)
Girl Scouts Meeting 8th Grade in Parish Center (3:00 - 5:00 PM)
School Extension in BFH, Gym, Backgrounds (3:00 - 5:30 PM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (5:30 - 9:30 PM)
Adult Faith Formation RCIA - JCE, KH (7:00 - 8:30 PM)
PLC Boy Scouts #85 in Jansen Center Rose (7:00 - 8:30 PM)
Choir Rehearsal in Church Music Room (7:00 - 9:00 PM)
Our Lady of Good Counsel Mtg in Jansen Conf. Room (7:15 - 9:00 PM)

Friday, January 31, 2014

Women of Faith Bible Study in Jansen East (8:30 - 10:30 AM)
School Extension in BFH, Gym, Backgrounds (3:00 - 5:30 PM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (5:30 - 9:30 PM)
Alcoholics Anonymous in Jansen Center East (7:00 - 8:00 PM)

Saturday, February 1, 2014

Adult Basketball in Gym (6:00 - 8:30 AM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)
Confirmation Practice in Church (10:00 - 11:00 AM)

Sunday, February 2, 2014

Early Childhood Program - Gym, School (9:45 - 11:30 AM)
CYO Basketball in Gym (1:00 - 6:00 PM)
Confirmation Celebration in Church/Kramer Hall (4:00 - 5:30 PM)

AROUND THE AREA

THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF DAYTON: The Christ Child Society of Dayton is seeking new members. If you would like to learn more about this wonderful organization that serves women and children in the area, please contact Meg Doherty at 224-5510 or Joan McGratty at 435-2508.

MENTOR A YOUNG MOM: Help us support young, low-income moms nurture their children while you serve as a role model for positive parenting. If you feel the call to be a mentor and help create healthy families, give the Life Resource Centre a call today. The next mentor training will be held on Saturday, January 25th from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. The Toddlers of Teens program will begin February 6th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. All classes are Thursday nights. Find out how you can make a difference in the life of a young mom through this 8-month commitment. Call Elaine at 937-223-9227 or e-mail ebonner@daytonlife.org for more information

NEW PARENTS POTLUCK: It's cold outside, but you can bask in the warmth of friends! Please join us for *The New Parent's Potluck* at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 12th, in Si Lounge. The potluck is a totally free activity for anyone who is pregnant or has infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Si lounge is located on the lower level of Sieben Hall (directions are found at <http://qac-ohio.org/qac/find.htm>). Plates and utensils will be provided. Last name A-B bring a main dish; C-S bring a side dish or salad; T-Z bring a dessert. Questions? Contact Jackie Andrews at 937- 885-3631 or email at andrews645@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Renew the excitement in your marriage. Make your good marriage warmer and happier with a marriage encounter weekend. The next marriage encounter weekends are: February 14th-16th at the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, Ohio and March 21st-23rd at the Holiday Inn Eastgate in Cincinnati, Ohio. Weekends fill up quickly so register early to avoid a waiting list. For reservations call Dave and Jan Stockelman, 1-800-547-1251 code 00-OR- or www.esharing.org.

ST. FRANCIS WOMEN'S RETREAT: The 20th Annual St. Francis Women's Retreat is February 21-23, 2014 at Bergamo Center. The theme is *Yielding to the Grace of God, Ignatian Spirituality*. The retreat director is Fr. Ed Burns, Director of Catholic Campus Ministries at Wright State. Gift certificates and partial scholarships are available. Call Bette at 937-433-6971 or email bette.davis@att.net. Information is available on the website. Online registration begins January 11th. Register at <http://stfranciswomensrtrt.wix.com/retreat>.

THE ATHENAEUM'S LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM is offering a Couple Communication Workshop, instructed by Dr. Tom Giordano, 7:15 - 9:15 p.m., March 6, 13, 20 and 27 in the Bartlett Center of the Athenaeum of Ohio, 6616 Beechmont Ave., Mount Washington. \$75 per couple. As a couple, you learn 11 communication skills for talking, listening, making decisions, and resolving conflicts together effectively. Please RSVP by February 26 to the LPMP office, ltegge@athenaeum.edu or 513-231-1200.

AROUND THE AREA

INFORMATION MEETING FOR THE ATHENAEUM OF OHIO LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM: Discover how Catholic studies through the Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program can enrich your life. Degree and non-degree options available with evening and Saturday classes designed for busy adults. Join us on Wednesday, February 5th at 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, February 15th at 10:30 a.m. in room 114 of the Athenaeum main campus, 6616 Beechmont Avenue, for a brief information meeting. Topics will include program options, application process, cost and benefits. Call 513-231-1200 for more information. Find us on Facebook, AthenaeumLPMP.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION'S AFF MINISTRY is sponsoring a retreat at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, on Friday, February 28th/Saturday, March 1st. This retreat is silent, will last 24 hours and will be held at the Loyola Building. The theme is the Temptations of Jesus in the Desert and will be preached by Father Satish. Registration forms are available at itemissaest.org, click on events and at the bottom of the page click on Silent Retreat Registration. The cost is \$100. The facility accommodates 45 people so registration is limited. Registration deadline is February 14th. For questions, contact Gail Lyman at 937-293-9373 or via email gal55@sbcglobal.net.

HEALING MASS: A healing Mass will be held at Immaculate Conception on February 26th at 6:30 p.m. Immaculate Conception is located at 2300 S. Smithville Road, Dayton, 937-252-9919. This Mass is for those who are in need of emotional, physical and mental healing. The will be a celebration of the Eucharist and an extended laying of hands upon each individual by the priests present and the healing team at the parish.

MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES: Learn Natural Family Planning (NFP). NFP is not the old "rhythm method," but uses all the woman's fertility signs in a safe, healthy, and highly effective method in accordance with Catholic teaching. Classes begin Sunday, February 9 in Kettering. Call 937-435-4750 for additional information or register at www.ccli.org.

DIVORCECARE: It's not too late to join the DivorceCare program. If you or another adult is struggling with life after divorce or is in the process of separating, this seminar and support group are meant for you. Each week, experts will address topics pertinent to your life adjustments. Join us from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Thursdays, from January 9th to April 3rd, at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Centerville. Registration fee is \$25; scholarships available. To register or ask questions, Marcelle Toma at 312-1157.

PLEASE PATRONIZE THESE SPONSORS AS A THANK YOU FOR THEIR KIND GENEROSITY