

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

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MASS SCHEDULE

(L=Living, †=Deceased)

<i>THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. Feb. 3	5:00 PM	For †Ed Gripshover
Sun. Feb. 4	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish
Mon. Feb. 5	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK
Tue. Feb. 6	8:00 AM	For †Vincent Rawe
Wed. Feb. 7	8:00 AM	For Lillian Cooper (L)
Thur. Feb. 8	8:00 AM	For †Mary Louise Cross [Adoration & Confessions 6-7 PM]
Fri. Feb. 9	8:00 AM	For †James Nelson Deaton
<i>THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. Feb. 10	5:00 PM	For †Anna Menefee
Sun. Feb. 11	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Verna Payne, Kate & Colton Sherold, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Bonita & Jim Happe, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Jeanne Eanes, Bill Schneider (Dominion Assisted Living 4009 Siegalman Dr. Florence, KY. 41042 Room 215), Ree Wagner, Randy Goodhew, Patty Neuspickel’s son Jim, Alan Fields, Imogene Fisk, Larry Cappel, Sean Timmerding, Rodney Gurren, Maverick Orth (2 years old), Bill Edelbroich, Jim Wolfe, Steve Vaughn, and John Jackson.

BIRTHDAYS– Feb. 1-Dan Cooper, Feb. 1-Jeanne Cooper, Feb. 2-Marie Cooper, Feb. 5-Maxine Kordenbrock, Feb. 6-Russell Neuspickel, Feb. 7-Jesse Rawe, Feb. 12-Mark Broering, Feb. 20-Kathy Bach, Feb. 28-Chloe Cooper

ANNIVERSARY– Feb. 16-Dan and Lisa Cooper.

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 6-7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Thursdays—6:00-6:50 PM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Roseanne Rawe (859) 635-1572

Bulletin/Prayer List – Linda Fryman (859) 240-2377

Parish History/Cemetery Info – Patty Neuspickel (859) 472-2508

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

TAX LETTERS— Your year end tax statements are available in the back of church. If you do not see yours or believe there is a mistake, please see Father Straub.

‘PRAYERS FOR THE SICK’ LIST—Please review the ‘prayers for the sick’ list and let Linda or Father know if changes or additions need to be made. lindafryman@gmail.com is Linda’s email.

DISCERNMENT DINNER—Do you know someone who is a male age 14 or older who prays the rosary daily, or attends Eucharistic Adoration regularly? Maybe he is an altar server, or a lector. Or maybe he is restless in his chosen career. Ask him if he has ever considered becoming a priest! The Diocese has a Sacred Heart Discernment Dinner coming up on March 3rd at St. Agnes Parish to answer any questions or concerns he or his family might have which will be answered by Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Conor Kunath. An RSVP is requested. The dinner runs from 5-8 PM and is free. RSVPs should be sent to sbarnes@covdio.org. If this date does not work, there will be several more dinners offered throughout the summer.

MORNING OF REFLECTION—Give yourself the gift of a mini-retreat from 9 AM until Noon one Saturday a month to ensure you have the tools you need to follow God’s will in your life. The next Morning of Reflection will be at Sts. Boniface and James Parish in Ludlow on Feb. 17 and will cover Lectio Divina, on reading the Scriptures prayerfully. Schedule is as follows: 9AM—Presentation of the given topic with opportunity for questions and discussion. 10 AM—Mass in the Church. 11AM Adoration with Confession available.

LECTOR— Feb. 4— Bill Funke, Feb. 11—Bernie Rawe

CLEANING —Feb. 11—Genita and daughters

FROM THE PASTOR—PRACTICING ALMSGIVING

Continuing our preparation for Lent, we see how it is we ought to practice almsgiving. It is one thing to talk about giving of ourselves, but another to know how it is we can do it. What first comes to mind is, “Where can I give my money?” Yet we should remember that we can and must give more than cash in giving alms. The worn-out phrase “time, talent, and treasure” does have an echo of truth within it. Here are some ways we can offer alms not just in Lent but throughout the entire year.

- **OUR PARISH**—Charity begins at home. The only way any parish church stays open is by the charity of the people who live there and come to its help. The numerous ways that you all have helped out throughout the years are greatly appreciated, as will be your continued help in whatever way you can give.
- **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**—The Society of St. Vincent de Paul works to help the poor and unfortunate who are in need not merely around the world, but in our own back yard. Our parish helps the Saint Cecilia chapter, but we can help the entire diocesan conference in its work of sharing the love of Christ to all. You can see what opportunities are available at svdpnky.org or calling (859)341-1212.
- **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**—The diocese operates a chapter of Catholic Charities which is involved in a variety of works: from homeless outreach (including Parish Kitchen which offers meals) to child & family services to housing services. See how you can help on their website at covingtoncharities.org or call (859)581-8974
- **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED**—We should not only help out in our local area but also as much as we can around the world. The organization Aid to the Church in Need provides a means of supporting various projects throughout the world: from giving Mass stipends to foreign priests as their primary source of income to funding a variety of projects for religious orders or dioceses in need. You can see for yourself what they do and how you can help at churchinneed.org.

Above all, we must not forget the neighbor before us. Do we pray for those who we meet? Are we willing to give when someone asks, even if they seem sketchy? Do I foster charity in all my actions? The ultimate purpose of almsgiving is not self-promotion or self-aggrandizement, but for the increase in charity within us. Let us pray about how we can give of ourselves just as Christ gave Himself completely on the Cross for our salvation, then let us give without counting the cost, hopeful that our reward will be great in eternal life.

Fr. Jacob Straub